



Members of the SGA approve by a hand vote the revised constitution which will significantly alter the organization's structure.

photo by Mike Memoli

## Senate endorses change with new constitution

by Kevin Ryan  
Managing Editor

After months of tweaking and occasional acrimonious debate, the Student Government Association (SGA) passed the new SGA constitution unanimously on Wednesday, Jan. 30, in a meeting in Cohn Hall, setting up the document for a student referendum vote that will take place Feb. 18 and 19.

Ryan Cronin, the chief justice of the SGA, presented the constitution, which had to be presented as an amendment to the current constitution, at the end of the meeting.

"I'm happy that people are willing to look past individual issues and agree on this compromise. It's certainly an improvement over what we have now," Cronin said.

Since the SGA debate on Jan. 23, a number of changes were made to the constitution that made its passage almost guaranteed.

Significantly, the Constitutional Council, in effect the judicial branch of the SGA, was deemed to be unnecessary and was eliminated entirely.

In addition, the number of assembly-people from each class increased from seven to eight, a

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## Diversity requirement slowly moving forward

by Ginny Graham  
Staff Writer

While a proposal that called for the introduction of a two-pronged diversity core curriculum requirement was unanimously voted down last October, the Curriculum Committee, along with each academic department, agrees that some type of diversity initiative should be examined and has begun working on doing so.

To satisfy both the intent of the original proposal and the faculty's desire to confront the issue of diversity, the Curriculum Committee has decided to sponsor a series of lunch meetings with faculty members to create an atmosphere for them to discuss these issues.

"We have asked every department for brief statements about what it is doing with diversity and asked who is interested in discussing the issue," said Dr. Gayla McGlamery, chair of the Curriculum Committee.

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These meetings are intended to remain relatively small, with about eight to ten people at a time. The goal is to "look at the issue and see what ideas might grow out of it," McGlamery said.

The original proposal, submitted by history professors Dr. Elizabeth Schmidt and Dr. Keith Schoppa, stated that, "Loyola should adapt its educational offerings and approaches to the global realities of our time, thereby strengthening and enriching its educational mission."

In order to satisfy what Schmidt and Schoppa said is a lack of exposure to global and United States diversity, they proposed that "all Loyola students be required to take two three-credit diversity courses. ... The diversity requirement would not increase the number of courses needed for graduation, since many courses could serve a

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## Loyola to be smoke-free by 2003

### Policy takes effect in all freshmen dorms this fall

by Mike Memoli  
News Editor

Citing health and safety concerns, the Office of Student Life has developed a new policy that will prohibit smoking in all campus residences by the 2003-04 academic year. The formal proposal will be included in student housing packets to be delivered within the next two weeks.

Student Life began investigating a ban on smoking last year, and has worked with the Resident Affairs Council (RAC) to create a proposal that would be both effective and fair for students.

Beginning in the fall semester, all freshman residence halls, which include Wynnewood and Guilford Towers, will be smoke-free. Because the newly-acquired Notre Dame Lane Apartments are scheduled to undergo serious renovations, smoking will also be prohibited there.

Upperclassmen will have an opportunity to vote whether or not to become smoke free as well. An 80 percent majority in favor of allowing smoking would be required in the vote. Regardless of that vote, all student residences will be smoke-free by the following year. Currently, students living together decide amongst themselves



Students like sophomore Joshua Cuykendall, pictured in his Wynnewood Towers apartment, will not be able to smoke in residence halls after the new Student Life policy is fully implemented.

photo by Mike Memoli

whether to designate their room as smoking or non-smoking.

"One of the things that was important was to get student feedback," said Director of Student Life Leonard Brown. "I do think that it is for everyone's benefit."

Brown presented the proposal to the RAC executive board. RAC President Kristen Grill said they debated it internally and with Brown, raising both sides of the issue. She said they are interested in seeing how students react now that it is being made public.

"I've only been to one other school where they don't have a policy like this," Grill said.

Brown and Student Life found the same thing when studying the smoking policies of other Jesuit schools. Brown said that Loyola is actually behind in implementing this policy.

In past years, many cities have also passed bans on smoking in restaurants and other public locations.

Recent studies have shown that smoking is the leading cause of preventable deaths in the United States. Additionally, a student falling asleep with a lit cigarette is believed to be the cause of a fire at Seton Hall University, which was

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## TGN launch delayed

by Liz Genco  
Opinions Editor

Due to several setbacks, The Greyhound Network (TGN), Loyola's student television station, did not launch in January as its founders initially expected. TGN will not be on the air until at late February or early March.

"It was an internal decision to delay the premiere broadcast. There was no one in the administration telling us that we weren't ready," said Alan Danzis, one of the co-founders of TGN.

In order to determine the best format for *The Newsroom*, an evening news program that will be part Tom Brokaw, part *Daily*

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## Hounds win!



After going nearly two months without a victory, Loyola's men's basketball team held on to a late lead and beat Canisius 54-51 in Reitz Arena on Friday.

photo by Patrick Valasek

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# News

## Nextbus system makes shuttles predictable

by Ginny Graham  
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Nextbus, Loyola College's new Global Positioning Satellite system that affords students the opportunity to view in advance when the next shuttle bus will arrive, is now up-and-running.

The GPS system makes a prediction for the time a bus will arrive on screens posted at each major stop zone, hoping to provide for Loyola students, faculty and employees a more efficient and convenient way to catch the next shuttle.

The data that the system collects is crucial in order to have more accurate predictions. It uses information like traffic flow on a given road on a given time of day, or the length of time a bus waits at a stoplight. As its database collects more data, the system will be more accurate.

Because it is a GPS system, each bus's location on the road is completely accurate, yet the Nextbus system only makes a prediction about when the buses will arrive at a particular place.

This could create problems, however, as the system cannot foresee accidents or any other hazards along a particular route.

Manager for the Parking and Transportation Department Collins Downing said that is why the collection of data is important. But with the data collecting process, the system is designed to take into consideration these setbacks.

"There is an average of 43 accidents a year at the intersection of North Charles St. and Cold Spring Lane," he said.

"If a bus is predicted to arrive in five minutes and there is an accident, for example, and a bus gets held up, it will already take this into account and update the prediction to seven minutes."

Downing also said that it may be possible

for the sign at the stop zone to read zero and the bus not be at that destination.

The reason for this, he said, is that there is "a 90-second leeway in which it could be off. It's just the system."

Along with the posted signs at each major stop zone, student, faculty and other Loyola employees can access arrival times on the Internet.

At [www.nextbus.com](http://www.nextbus.com), those using the internet should click "East Coast" in the "Region" field, "Loyola College, MD" in the "Agency" field, whatever desired route in the "Route" field, the direction of the desired destination in the "Direction" field and the final destination in the "Stop" field.

Directly below these fields are the estimated times of arrival for the next buses.

To the right of the fields are the route schedule, the agency web site (Loyola College website) and the live map. Clicking on the live map will show the live bus route.

The different colored arrows represent each bus route, and the direction the arrow is pointing is the direction the bus is moving. The arrows will move approximately every minute and show the exact location of the bus.

Furthermore, by placing the cursor on the colored flags accompanying the arrow, the "route" and the "next stop" pull-down menu will appear, showing additional information.



The new Nextbus system is meant to keep students updated as to when the next shuttle will arrive. Although the wait is meant to never exceed 15 minutes, many students waiting at the time this picture was taken said they had been waiting close to 35 minutes.

photo by Dave O'Brien

While the system is still in its infancy and experiencing several complications, Downing said the department is always improving the more the system is in effect.

"We find glitches — one or two a week, but for the most part, it seems to be working pretty well," he said.

"We are still very much trying to figure out how to make it more efficient.

"It is made for transit systems, which are routes that basically stay in a straight line," he said.

"We are on a circle route, which makes it more difficult."

Downing said the difficulties with the technical aspects and the adjustments the drivers have to make can be frustrating and daunting.

Yet he said the entire process will be worthwhile in the end.

"It is a neat system, and we are the first college to do this," he said. "And when people get used to it, it will work very well."

## Woodberry hearing set for March 6

by Mike Memoli  
News Editor

The Baltimore City Council last week began the process of approving Loyola's proposal to build a new athletic complex in the Woodberry community, announcing that its Land Use/Planning Committee will hold a public hearing on March 6 that will include a public debate.

"We look forward to bringing our project before the council," said Terence Sawyer, special assistant to the president for government and community relations. "We're hopeful that all the work and energy that we've put into making this project as environmentally friendly and as community friendly will be evident, and that committee will look at this as favorable."

Committee Chair Lois Garey surprised opponents of the plan by deciding to hold the meeting in Woodberry, at the new Northern District Police Station on Coldspring Lane. Sawyer said he is glad that the Council decided to do so.

"We want as much community input as possible, after all it is a public process. ... Hopefully we'll produce a constructive meeting."

Because the meeting will be held during the college's spring break, students who may benefit from the proposal may not be able to attend.

If the bill is approved by the committee, it then moves on to the full Council for final vote. Mayor Martin O'Malley introduced the legislation in September, and is therefore likely to sign it when the Council decides.



## Around the world ... From wire reports

### Death toll in Nigeria tops 1,000

The death toll from last weekend's disaster at an army weapons dump in Lagos has risen to more than 1,000, officials have said. Most of the dead and missing are children who drowned in a canal during a stampede of people from the scene of a series of huge explosions on Sunday. The disaster is believed to have begun when a fire erupted triggering a series of explosions that lasted for hours.

### Gates, Bono unveil 'DATA Agenda' for Africa

Microsoft founder Bill Gates and Bono, lead singer for the rock band U2, announced at the World Economic Forum in New York on Saturday their plan to focus the world's attention on the bevy of issues confronting Africa. The "DATA Agenda" will focus on debt, AIDS and trade for the continent. Bono said he and his colleagues have been petitioning world leaders to address the DATA agenda.

### Brazil latest nation to require graphic smoking warnings

Following through on a tough anti-smoking campaign, Brazil joined Canada as the only countries to require graphic picture warnings on cigarette packs. Beginning Friday, all cigarettes sold must carry the warning pictures which cover the entire side of a pack.

### Straw accused of 'mocking' Bush

Two British newspapers accused Foreign Minister Jack Straw of mocking President George W. Bush after Straw said Bush only made stern warnings to so-called rogue states because it is an election year in Congress. The newspapers quoted Bush administration officials who said they felt the accusations were inappropriate.

### Fox making first trip to Cuba

Mexican President Vicente Fox had business on his mind when he met with Cuban leader Fidel Castro. The two planned to discuss reviving a trade relationship. Several Cuban opposition groups want to meet Fox and U.S. officials want him to do so, but trip organizers did not plan any meetings because of Fox's tight schedule.

## Campus Police Blotter Selected excerpts from reports

### Wednesday, Jan. 23

While eating dinner, a student placed her bag on a chair in the lower Primo's dining area. The student left to use the phone near the ATM, leaving the bag behind, and returned some minutes later to find it missing. A check of the bathrooms and stairwells near Primo's yielded negative results.

### Friday, Jan. 25

A student was seated in the upper Primos dining area with his cell phone placed beside him on a table. When the student went to lower Primo's to obtain additional food, he left his cell phone behind. When he returned to the upper dining area, his cell phone was gone.

### Monday, Jan. 28

Campus Police responded to a report of a broken car window and the Fitness and Aquatic Center. The owner of the car stated that he had been at the FAC and returned to his car to find the passenger front window had been broken.

The owner checked for any missing items, but found none. The responding unit had been on patrol at the FAC at the time and that the car had been secure at the time. Baltimore City Police Department was notified.

### Monday, Jan. 28

A person contacted campus police to report that his car was missing from the Fitness and Aquatic Center parking lot. The owner stated that the car was last driven by his roommate, ten days earlier.

The roommate borrowed the complainant's keys and access card to get into the lot and returned them after returning the car. There were no signs of broken glass in the area where the car was parked. Baltimore City Police were notified.



# News

## “Pens” drive again successful

by **Christa Youngpeter**  
Staff Writer

Students again opened their hearts and Evergreen accounts to donate over 1,000 school supplies to the “Pens for Friends” program in what is becoming yet another philanthropic tradition at Loyola College. Junior Jenny Cappe won the raffle drawing that allotted her a \$342 reimbursement for books.

“Hopefully this will raise awareness and show that donating just one or two pens can make a significant difference in a child’s life,” said Junior Class President Christine Maloblocki.

She and Honor Council Co-Chair Paul Jaxsens came up with the idea for “Pens for Friends” at the Jesuit Student Leadership Conference last summer.

The success of this semester’s “Pens for Friends” rivals that of the fall term and organizers hope

the tables manned by the Student Government Association and the Honor Council will remain a fixture come the start of each new semester. “Judging by our success so far, this looks like it will become a regu-

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**-- Christine Maloblocki**

lar event,” said Jaxsens.

“This is the only joint venture of Student Government and the Honor Council,” noted Jaxsens, “which provided a highly motivated group of students for Pens for Friends.”

Jaxsens and Maloblocki also applauded the generosity of the Loyola College Bookstore in mak-

ing Pens for Friends a reality.

“Without [the bookstore’s] generosity, this would not have been possible,” Maloblocki said.

Jaxsens was not without his own words of gratitude. He stressed the importance of the time and effort the staff was able to put in to make the program possible.

Bookstore Manager Maria Jefferson said she was more than willing to help such an important cause.

“It really was a treat for me,” notes Maria, “and seeing the appreciation from both raffle winners makes all the effort worthwhile.”

When Maloblocki came to the bookstore staff with the idea of a raffle, Jefferson suggested giving away up to \$500 in textbook refunds to the winner.

“We at the bookstore wanted to do everything we could to help, and we’re looking forward to making Pens for Friends a bi-annual event,” Jefferson added.

## New policy to ban smoking in dorms

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responsible for three deaths and over 60 injuries in January 2000. Brown cited these two factors as the leading motivation for instituting this new policy.

“It seems like a good process to move towards a smoke-free environment,” Brown said, noting the policy is going to be “grandfathered” in for non-freshmen. “Some schools have flat-out

gone smoke free. ... It’s a good compromise and I think a lot of students will be supportive of it.”

Brown also understands that a number of students will not, as was clear after several students were told of the proposal.

“I think it’s bull,” said Joshua Cuykendall. “I think this is only going to get people angry.”

Grill said she believes it’s a good policy, noting that many students

only take up smoking because other people do it, and this will discourage that in freshman.

As for enforcing the new policy, Brown said that his office is still working on how that will be done but said it will be part of a new code of conduct.

“There are a lot of possibilities, and we don’t want rush into this. It will be clear to the community prior to the fall,” Brown said.

## TGN delayed at least one month

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Show, TGN co-founder Rex Freiburger and a team of specific case managers will begin taping broadcasts and conducting focus groups.

“We want to try different formats now instead of later,” Freiburger said. “We want to get a better idea of how to serve Loyola.”

Danzis concurred, saying that the group would rather not alter the format once the news show is on the air.

Faculty advisor Rev. Michael Braden, S.J., spoke of the importance of beginning with a professional product.

“We don’t want to look amateur. By having focus groups, we can determine what the students perceive about our level of quality,” Braden said.

“We’ll produce two or three episodes which will not air to determine our best format and get audience feedback.”

TGN is also hammering out the details of a contract with Burly Bear, a television programming service that would provide shows for the network to air like classic episodes of *Saturday Night Live*.

Burly Bear also has original shows like *Half Baked*, a cooking/entertainment show where host Matt Fry visits celebrities homes. “They’d go to Santana’s home,

cook with him a bit and then Santana would play. In addition to providing us with programming to round out our time slots, we will get viewers, students who can’t see these episodes of *SNL* on Comedy Central,” Danzis said.

As soon as the Burly Bear con-

formation included in both NewsHound and the Events Channel, which would be phased out at some point. Danzis wants the emphasis to be on “things both in and out of Loyola,” including events Baltimore City.

TGN also has a contract with BMI Records and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) to allow access to almost every piece of registered music for use on the network.

TGN was founded last March when Danzis, a junior, then joined with sophomores Freiburger, Kevin Poll, Colleen Rutledge, Joe Salvati and Nick Walkonis because all realized their common

interest in having an on-campus television station.

Their brainchild has since grown to include a staff of 35 and will feature programming different from that of the events channel.

*The Newsroom* will be supplemented in September by *Charles Street Bridge*, a college soap opera revolving around six college students and the issues that they face, including honor code violations and alcohol poisoning, and original student comedy show-cases.



The Greyhound Network’s new studios remain empty as organizers fine-tune their product.

photo by Patrick Valasek

tract is finalized, TGN will be one step away from being functional.

In the time before *The Newsroom* is ready, News Director B.J. Berretta will be filming a *Blind Date*-type show in which two Loyola students would go on a blind date to be aired sometime in February.

TGN’s staff is currently finishing technology training to learn how to update the Bulletin Board, which will replace the Events Channel.

The service will contain the in-

## Senate unanimously approves constitution

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change that many of the SGA representatives pushed since the last debate.

“Many people felt that seven wasn’t enough, so we bumped it up one to satisfy their concerns,” said Cronin.

However, seniors retained the right to vote in the elections – a point that was hotly contested by some of the underclassmen representatives and senators.

Citing the fact that only five seniors voted in last year’s spring elections, Cronin said the Executive Council decided to allow seniors to keep their right to vote.

Special interest groups on campus also retained their representatives in the assembly. In the constitution, that group’s director on the Executive Council will appoint the assemblyperson for the specific group.

For example, the Director of

Multicultural Affairs will appoint the Multicultural Affairs Assembly-person.

If the constitution passes the student referendum, it will go into effect on March 22, which is Maryland Day and the day that the 2001-02 Executive Council vacates its offices.

There will be tables set up in Boulder Cafe and Primo’s for the student referendum. Voting will also be available online on Privare and the constitution will be online as well.

The unanimous passage of the constitution came as a surprise to some of the senators and representatives.

Transfer student representative Catherine Husum nearly derailed the constitution, insisting that the Transfer Student Association be represented in the assembly, like the Commuter Student Association is.

## 1927 – The Greyhound – 2002

*In honor of The Greyhound’s 75th anniversary, a series of articles from previous years are being reprinted in each issue. This week’s article comes from the Feb. 16, 1945, issue of The Greyhound.*

### Drive for new chapel begins

The Rev. Edward R. Bunn, S.J., President of Loyola College, has announced that Loyola College will inaugurate a drive for contributions to erect a Memorial Chapel for all the Loyola students who have died in the war or who have gone into the Services to fight.

This announcement comes at a time when more than one thousand of Loyola’s sons are serving in every branch of the Armed Forces, and when twenty-one of these men have been reported killed in action.

The plan calls for a much larger and more beautiful chapel to be constructed than the present one. It will seat six hundred or more students and will be built along the same lines of architecture as the science and library buildings. The old chapel was always intended to be a temporary building and consequently it was made with only a seating capacity of about one hundred and fifty, or one fourth of what the new Memorial Chapel will accommodate.

As a memorial to those who died in World War II, the Memorial Chapel will be a permanent tribute to their memory, and will also be a thanksgiving offering for those who came through the conflict safely.

The name of the chapel will be

the Chapel of St. Francis Xavier, and on each of the stained glass windows will be painted the name of a deceased alumnus. At the entrance will stand a plaque on which will be engraved the list of contributors.

While many details are lacking at present, it is planned to have a special statue to Our Lady, Queen of Peace, in the chapel and perhaps three altars.

In order to raise funds for the realization of this project, Loyola is requesting that every family of an alumnus in the services donate some contribution to the drive, and accordingly pledge cards will be sent out to all friends of the College. Large contributions are also expected from alumni in the service.

The student body of the College as well as every society and club at Loyola will add their share of the fund. The Alumni Association is urged to add its support as the official link between Loyola and its alumni.

When interviewed concerning the drive for funds to build a Memorial Chapel, Fr. Bunn stated, “The time is most appropriate for erection of such a chapel. It will be a reminder to the future student body of boys who gave their lives in this great conflict for the preservation of peace.”

### Clarifications:

The students pictured in last week’s front page photo for the “Campus police cracks theft case” article are in no way connected to the thefts on campus. *The Greyhound* regrets any confusion.

Also, on page 13, a photo from the Moodroom article was improperly attributed. The photo was taken by Lauren Wakal.



## NEWS

## Spectrum changes president in time for Diversity Week

by Amanda Lordy  
Staff Writer

In recent weeks, Loyola's Spectrum underwent some leadership changes. Meredith Pahel, the former president of the group, left Loyola, leaving sophomores Frank Golom and Jessica Beckman to head the organization.

"Jessica and I decided it would be best to work together as co-presidents, considering how much we are trying to achieve this semester," said Golom. "The group

During Sexual Diversity Week, students can expect a wide variety of events. There will be a table in the quad on March 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to promote the week, which organizers hope will educate students in order to eliminate the ignorance that leads to harassment.

Other events for the week include showing of *Philadelphia*, starring Tom Hanks, and a presentation by Robyn Ochs, who will speak on progress of the Gay Rights Movement and run a workshop called "Unlearning Ho-



Spectrum held its first open meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 29. Pictured from left to right, co-presidents Frank Golom and Jessica Beckman and Vice President Alyssa Preston discuss the year's agenda. Meetings are held every Tuesday in the Minority Student Service Lounge.

photo by Sara Jerome

will miss Meredith and the task of filling her shoes will be next to impossible. She had done a lot of work for Spectrum, turning it into an organization that has both an impact and a direction. I only hope the success continues."

Beckman had similar feelings. She noted, "I was a little overwhelmed by the suddenness of the title. I knew how much time Meredith spent working on Spectrum related activities, but once I found out that Frank would be helping me, I was ecstatic."

In the spirit of continuing success, one of the first orders of business for the newly appointed co-presidents is Spectrum's very first Sexual Diversity Week, which will take place March 18-22.

"The need for understanding and acceptance on this campus is clear," noted Golom.

"This semester alone there have been quite a few instances of anti-gay harassment and verbal assaults. I myself have been the victim of such," he said.

"Spectrum's main goal is really to promote an environment at Loyola where it is both acceptable and comfortable for gay, lesbian and bisexual students to live normal adaptive lives without feeling stigmatized or harassed," said Golom.

The main goals of the week are "to help the college community understand that being of a sexual minority does not make you any different of a person and to reduce the homophobia and hatred felt by some, while increasing awareness of what being gay actually means," said Beckman.

mophobia."

It will also feature "a day in which about 300 students and faculty members will wear t-shirts that read '1 in 10...Look Around' to represent the number of people in the population are of a sexual minority," noted Beckman.

Spectrum also meets every Tuesday at 9 p.m. in the Minority Student Lounge where "relevant issues are discussed and support is offered," Golom said.

Additionally, every Wednesday at 8 p.m. students can go to the Reading Room for the Spectrum film series.

Films that are relevant to situations on this campus as well as in society as a whole are shown. Last semester, Spectrum also participated in National Coming Out Day and Denim Day.

"This week isn't just about gay people. It's about supporting human rights and respecting all individuals," added Golom.

"It's about, more than anything else, this campus coming together to bring about an environment more conducive to learning and respect for all."

"For those who are not of a sexual minority, Spectrum welcomes them all," Beckman said. "Please do not think that Spectrum is only for the GLBT [Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered] population. Anyone with the will to make a difference will be welcomed into Spectrum."

Any groups interested in co-sponsoring the awareness week can contact Frank Golom by phone at ext. 3764 or by e-mailing [fgolom@loyola.edu](mailto:fgolom@loyola.edu).

## Reaction:

## Homophobia deplored by Catholic Church

by Rev. Dan Ruff, S.J.  
Special to the Greyhound

In the Dec. 4 issue of *The Greyhound*, freshman Frances Swett wrote to express shock and disgust at drunken Loyola students who directed homophobic epithets toward her male guest, a first-time visitor to Loyola. Many of us would like to regard this as an isolated incident, but a more recent letter from sophomore Frank Golom (Jan. 22 issue) makes clear that it is not. With the college's new strategic plan identifying increased diversity as a number one priority, it's time for us to face the issue of homophobia here at Loyola. As "pastor" of the campus faith community, I feel a particular need to remind my "flock" that homophobic attitudes and behaviors are contrary to the teachings of the Catholic Church.

To understand the Church's position both on homophobia and on homosexuality, it is important to remember a key distinction between sexual orientation and genital behavior. In affirming this distinction, church authorities also affirm that there are, in fact, "homosexuals who are definitively such because of some kind of innate instinct or a pathological constitution judged to be incurable" (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, *Declaration on Certain Questions Concerning Sexual Ethics*, 1975, section 8). In other words, gay people exist, even within the Church – and not through their own free choice.

The Church's use of the word "pathological" hardly implies unqualified celebration of gay people's existence. In fact, in a later teaching, the CDF stated explicitly that a homosexual "inclination" is "a more or less strong tendency ordered toward an intrinsic moral evil; and thus the inclination itself must be seen as an objective disorder" (*On the Pastoral Care of Homosexual Persons*, 1986, par. 3). But the "inclination," while "disordered," is not evil. The Church also reminds us that no human person can "be adequately described by a reductionist reference to his or her sexual orientation" (*On the Pastoral Care*, par. 16). Gay people are human beings who happen to be gay – just as they happen to be tall, short, stocky, thin, etc. Their orientation is hardly their whole story. This is more or less the same point made by Frank Golom in his letter to *The Greyhound*: "Our homosexuality is not, contrary to popular belief, the defining aspect of our lives, just as I hope that your heterosexuality is not the defining aspect of yours."

In any case, the "intrinsic moral evil" which homosexuals must avoid is homogenital behavior, which violates the Church's unwavering conviction that "it is only in the marital relationship that the use of the sexual faculty can be morally good" (*On the Pastoral Care*, par. 7). Please note, however, that homogenital acts are not singled out for "special treatment" here. Genital expression of homosexual urges is no more nor less intrinsically evil in the eyes of the Church than, say, masturbation or extramarital heterosexual expression.

More importantly, while behaviors can be evil, people are not. In fact, the Church holds that all people – regardless of sexual orientation – are created in God's image and likeness with freedom and dignity. And so, homosexuals – whose number "is not negligible," and who "do not choose their homosexual condition... must be accepted with respect, compassion and sensitivity" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1994, par. 2358, italics added). It is on the basis of the human dignity of gay per-

sons that the Church rejects and condemns homophobia in thought, word and deed.

Homophobia is wrong because it violates the Gospel law of charity and fails to recognize that all human beings are children of God redeemed in Christ. "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free person, there is not male and female; for [they] are all one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:27-28). The CDF pretty well adds to that list "neither straight nor gay" when it declares: "It is deplorable that homosexual persons have been and are the object of violent malice in speech or in action. Such treatment deserves condemnation from the Church's pastors wherever it occurs. It reveals a kind of disregard for others which endangers the most fundamental principles of a healthy society. The intrinsic dignity of each person must always be respected in word, in action and in law" (*On the Pastoral Care*, par. 10). "Condemnation" is a strong word; but rest assured that the highest teaching office of the Church does not use it lightly. It means that homophobia is seriously wrong. Period.

Let me add a couple of things that I have learned from my own pastoral experience. First, mannerisms are no reliable index of gender preference. "Masculinity" and "femininity" are subjective and misleading. One need only recall Mark Bingham, the strapping 6'5" gay rugby player who helped subdue the Sept. 11 hijackers on United Flight 93,

causing it to crash outside of Pittsburgh rather than at Camp David.

Second, a person who identifies him or herself as gay says nothing about his or her sexual activity. In fact, in asking its homosexual members to refrain from genital expression, the Church assumes that all of them can do so with the help of grace, and that many, if not most of them actually do. (It assumes this of all unmarried Catholics, by the way – including heterosexual undergraduates!) To say that one is heterosexual does not automatically imply that one is sexually active; gay people deserve an equal break at the level of assumptions.

Finally, if we accept with the Church that homosexuals (apart from gender preference) are human persons like all others, it is patently absurd to presume that they experience constant, uncontrollable lust for every person of their own gender. Gay people are like straight people. Some people turn them on sexually, some turn them off and many leave them completely indifferent. To assume that every homosexual of your gender is lusting after you is frankly to flatter yourself. Nor are gay people out to "recruit" anyone. Aside from the fact (which the Church recognizes) that gender preference is not chosen, hatred and prejudice cause many gays, at least at times, to experience their own sexual orientation as "a trial" (*Catechism*, par. 2358). Why should they want to wish it on anyone else?

In conclusion, I challenge members of the Loyola community "to confront their own fears about homosexuality and to curb the humor and discrimination that offend homosexual persons" (U. S. Catholic Conference, *Human Sexuality: A Catholic Perspective for Education and Lifelong Learning*, 1991, par. 406). Live the law of charity taught by the Gospel and the Church, remembering that "perfect love drives out fear" (1 John 4:18). The events of recent months make clear that there is more than enough violence and hatred in the world without our adding to it. All of us are God's children; and all of us need each other. "Let us love one another, because love is of God... Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love" (1 John 4:7-8).

**"Condemnation" is a strong word; but rest assured that the highest teaching office of the Church does not use it lightly. It means that homophobia is seriously wrong.**



News

Committee to hold diversity meetings

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dual function, fulfilling major, minor, core or elective, as well as diversity requirements.”

Schmidt said that this is an issue that is incredibly important to educational development and warrants specific educational focus on the topic of diversity.

“People in a dominant culture like our own need to know about other cultures because many will be working in a diverse atmosphere and need to be better equipped,” she said.

“It’s part of our liberal arts education.”

Schoppa also said that the reason for submitting this proposal was to give students a greater understanding of the changing world.

“The way the world is today, if you do not understand the culture, how can you deal with the people?” he said

Even though the extensive proposal was not passed, McGlamery said that the decision was not a denial of the need for diversity. Instead, it was in full support of the majority opinions in each department on campus.

“We are a body that represents each department,” she said. “For us, to support the proposal would

be going against the faculty.”

Departmental responses to the proposal were in support of initiating a focus on diversity, yet each department had varying reasons as to why this particular proposal would not work.

“There was support from every department for some sort of diversity requirement,” McGlamery said. “Some said it should come through curriculum, others didn’t. For example, some believe it should start with a more diverse campus.”

Many departments said the requirement would have the “effect of adding an additional course to the core [for some science students], yet most have few electives to start with,” as stated by the biology department. A report by the economics department stated, “[The] proposal would have an impact on departments and staffing,” with the theology department adding that “[many departments] think we already do this to a far greater extent than this proposal seems willing to recognize.”

Despite these opinions, McGlamery defended their decision.

“This is not a rejection. Diversity is an issue. This particular proposal was not the way to solve it.”

MPE Black History Month Quiz

To support Black History Month, the Multicultural Peer Educators (MPE) are running a weekly black history trivia contest for the month of February. The first Loyola student to answer all nine questions correctly will receive a \$25 gift certificate to the bookstore. Send your answers to [dfreeman3@loyola.edu](mailto:dfreeman3@loyola.edu).

We, the MPE, work with peers through ALANA to help students explore diversity issues and mediate conflict that may arise in those areas.

1. Jim Crow was originally the name of a ...  
a. Person  
b. Drink  
c. Song

2. How long was slavery practiced in America?  
a. About 250 years  
b. About 25 years  
c. About 2500 years

3. Who was Dr. Mary McCleod Bethune?  
a. Advisor to presidents Roosevelt and Truman  
b. Division administrator of National youth Administration  
c. Founder and president of Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach Florida  
d. All of these  
e. None of these

4. What year did freedom come to the slaves?  
a. 1586  
b. 1865  
c. 1658

5. Edward Bouchet was ...  
a. An elected member of Phi Beta Kappa.  
b. The recipient of a doctorate degree from Yale University  
c. A black man
- d. All of the above  
e. None of the above

6. How many blacks served in the Union Army during Civil War?  
a. 2,000  
b. 20,000  
c. 200,000

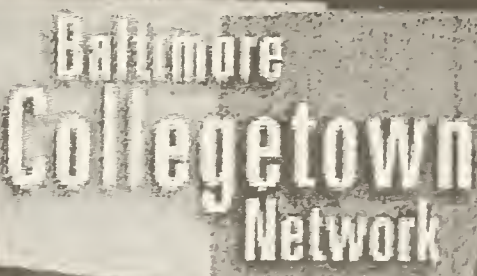
7. Who was the first African-American to win the Nobel Peace Prize?  
a. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
b. Dr. Ralph Bunche  
c. The Rev. Dr. Ralph David Abernathy

8. What does N.A.A.C.P. stand for?

9. The Nation of Islam was founded by ...  
a. Elijah Muhammad  
b. Muhammad Ali  
c. Neither  
d. They are the same person
- Answers to the quiz will appear in next week's issue. This is the first of a three-part quiz formulated by the MPE, which The Greyhound is proud to sponsor in honor of Black History Month.

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## THE GREYHOUND EDITORIAL

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**Q:** How many "members of the Loyola community" does it take to screw in a lightbulb?

**A:** None, because no one cares.

*"Come on, if you think  
You could take us on."*

— Radiohead, "You and Whose Army?"

We, the editors of *The Greyhound*, have decided that we could defecate in the ears of our readership — the very community of Loyola that we write for — and no one would complain.

Week in and week out, nearly without fail, we, as a newspaper, criticize Loyola policies, organizations or administration — not just for the sake of being reactionary, but to create an ongoing dialogue that has the student body and their best interests in mind. Yet, we rarely have any feedback from anyone, especially the administrators who create the policies we bash and the organizations that make the decisions that we vehemently disagree with.

Now we know that many, if not most people on this campus read *The Greyhound*. Every Tuesday, when we come out, the stacks of newspaper disappear faster than Enron accounting information. We have seen faculty, administrators and students alike, reading *The Greyhound*.

Through second-hand sources, we hear that some of these people disagree, often quite strongly, with what is printed in our paper. But we never hear directly from these people, and we would like to.

For example, in the Nov. 13 issue of *The Greyhound*, we reported the Curriculum Committee's decision to vote down diversity course requirements. In the corresponding editorial, we called the decision "a cop out on the part of the committee." Did we hear from anyone on the Curriculum Committee? No.

In the Jan. 22 issue, we wrote in our editorial, "In a surreal turn of events, we have returned to Loyola and found a new Student Life policy that will further antagonize the relationship between students and the administration." Did we hear from the Office of Student Life themselves? No.

We spend countless hours each week creating a quality, professional publication that is part of the Loyola community. We complain and criticize, not because we do not care about Loyola — but precisely because we do care. We care what decisions are made that will shape this institution — because we care about this institution.

So we encourage you to e-mail us \_\_\_\_\_), call us (ext. 2282) or even stop by our offices (Gardens B01).

Tell us what you think, tell us what you feel, tell us your thoughts. Just don't tell us that you're indifferent.

## Time passes, but are lessons learned?

Mixed with the stress associated with publishing an issue of *The Greyhound* last week was a bizarre feeling of déjà vu that I couldn't shake for the life of me. The issues discussed in last week's *Greyhound* feel eerily similar to some-

Kieran was in Intermediate German II with me freshman year. I vaguely recall conversations with him after class, and the fact that he was interested in history, a fact reaffirmed by Monica Leal and Jeff Zrebiec's article on Kieran's life. I found this article both disturbing and uplifting, because it reminded me of his presence in one of the first classes that I ever took at this school.

As far as I can remember, he was just a really nice guy. Didn't speak up very often,

Similarly, Dr. Tassi was once recommended to me as a professor whose classes I might enjoy. I don't think I put any serious thought into taking them for anything other than an elective, because my track was creative writing and history, but to have that compliment passed on about a teacher says a lot about their impact on the community, or at the very least their impact on one student. That a professor can touch your life in that way, and you do them the honor of telling others that you enjoyed one of their lectures or looked forward to their class every other day, speaks volumes about their character, charm and ability.

I think it says a lot about Loyola's character, too, that it gave me the opportunity to engage students such as Kieran and professors such as Dr. Tassi. To have people who are so beloved by friends, family and students is rewarding and makes for a better educational and social experience.

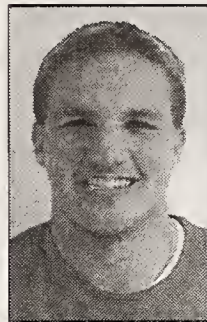
Which is why I was saddened and disappointed when I heard that, on the anniversary of Kieran's death from an unfortunate accident involving prescription heart medication and alcohol, eight Loyola students were taken to the hospital with alcohol poisoning.

Clearly, our ability to learn from the past is weak. One glaring failure is our inability to learn lessons from the tragedies of our past. The lessons learned from our losses must be first and foremost in our minds. Me, I'd rather remember and learn from those who really make a difference — the Dr. Tassis and Kieran McElwees of the world who passed too for us to appreciate the way they graced our lives.

laughed and shrugged when none of us could understand what was being said. He just seemed to me then to be one of those people who pass in and out of your life in a short amount of time. Being a nervous freshman, I was really intimidated by upperclassmen, and didn't make an effort to make Kieran's acquaintance, which is something I kind of regret.

That in itself may seem strange, waxing nostalgic about someone I barely knew, but from reading and hearing stories his roommates told in the paper and to others, I think he and I might have enjoyed ripping apart Hollywood films because of their "historically inaccurate" content, one of my pet peeves.

But who's to say? Our paths only crossed by degrees. I only had one class with him, and briefly worked alongside one of his roommates on Student Escorts. We had our history major in common, which might have brought us to the same gatherings, but those possibilities are lost to history.



### My Own Worst Enemy

by Dave  
O'Brien

thing I had read before.

It all came together by accident last Thursday night. Locked in a bout with writer's block, typing various beginnings to articles that will never appear in *The Greyhound*, I happened to glance over at a back issue lying on the Opinions desk. It caught my eye because it was from Jan. 16, 2001, almost exactly one year ago, and because of the subject matter on the front page.

The banner headline was "Loyola community mourns sudden losses." The subjects of the headlining articles were last year's tragic deaths of two members of the Loyola family, Dr. Aldo Tassi and student Kieran McElwee. Amongst stories about a losing streak by the men's basketball team and Athlete of the Week Katie Netherton — both of which were again featured almost exactly a year later in our Jan. 29, 2002, edition — were stories of the lives of Dr. Tassi and Kieran, two people that I never really had a chance to get to know well.

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## The Campus Questionnaire:

*Do you feel Loyola has lived up to the academic promises it made to you?*



**Lou Eckert, '02**

"I'm satisfied; the accounting program and business school are both well recognized."



**Jason Saghy, '02**

"The promise of leaving here better than you came has been fulfilled."



**Mike Fitzgerald, '04**

"Pretty much, but there is still room for improvement."



**Courtney Trego, '04**

"The core requirements add variety to the demanding business curriculum."



**Elissa Cutuly, '04**

"The limited courses available for psychology majors make scheduling difficult."

## POWs or detainees? Bush is confused, too

I try and I try, but I just can't agree with this guy. We all agreed it was cute that he made up words and was completely inadequate at articulating anything he wanted to communicate about his policies when he first took office. He was quoted as sharing



### Beck's Banter

by Justin Beck

charming little phrases like, "They said this issue wouldn't resignate with the people. They've been proven wrong, it does resignate."

Sorry, Mr. President, the word you were looking for was resonate.

But we got over it. We were a rich nation at peace, or at least we thought we were at peace. Well, the man of made-up words and mumbled phrases is now contorting and abusing documents written by intelligent men, like those who were present at the Geneva Convention, to better suit his will.

The United States is in the midst of transferring more soldiers captured in Afghani-

stan to Guantanamo Bay. There are already "detainees" being held there, but the number and specifics have not been released. The key factor here is that Bush does not want to grant these Afghani soldiers 'prisoner of war' status. If he refers to them as detainees, then they are not entitled to the rights promised to them under the Third Geneva Convention. If these men get prisoner of war status, they are required to give only their name, rank, date of birth, serial number or equivalent information. Also, the detaining power (in this case, the United States) may not subject them to any physical or mental torture, or to any form of coercion, in order to obtain information.

So first I tried to find reasons why I should support the president. If we can't question prisoners, what good are they? Besides, wasn't he right when he said on Jan. 28 that the detainees were "killers" who should not be granted prisoner of war status?

Unfortunately, that little voice of logic crept into my misguided patriotism and did the worst thing possible: It asked tough questions. Don't we call our "killers" in the army heroes because they defend and protect what we think is important?

Also, how were these "detainees" obtained? Well, they were captured in their nation fighting United States soldiers and

escorted to our prisons by United States servicemen. Then these "detainees" were taken to Guantanamo Bay, which is essentially a neutral sight, right? Wrong. Guantanamo Bay was founded after U.S. Marines landed there in 1898 during the Spanish-American War. The United States pays \$4.085 in rent a year under a 1934 treaty, although Castro refuses to cash the checks.

Though its military importance has dwindled, the United States still conducts exercises there, maintains warships and monitors Cuban airspace.

Isn't it America's uncompromising self-righteous attitude that makes other nations hate us? Why do we get to pick and choose what rules we want to follow?

Then, just when I had suppressed all doubt I had in the president, bought a couple more American flags at the gas station around the corner and convinced myself that patriotism is blind support — he did it again. President Bush stumbled across a key phrase that closed the deal for me. On Jan. 31, he answered questions in the Rose Garden about this issue. When asked about his stance, twice Mr. Bush called the fighters "prisoners," then stopped himself and used the word "detainees." Whether President Bush knows it or not, and whether he wants to admit it or not, we may be in agreement about what these fighters really are.

## Don't do right things for wrong reasons

I am sick and tired of all the people on this campus who complain that they are so involved and so busy that they have no lives. The truth of the matter is that there are seven people who do 12 jobs all over campus.

We all know who these people are: the

sel recovering addicts. I can't tell you how many sandwiches I made and bagged lunches I passed out in the slums of Newark, New Jersey; I still talk to the residents of a battered women's shelter there.

I am not trying to toot my own horn. I am trying to express to you that I did these things because I had heart. It made me cry when I left every place because I knew that I was never going to understand how this affected the people I reached out to.

There are still people on this campus who do things with a message for the sake of the message. In the past few weeks, *The Greyhound* has given a lot of press to Frank Golom and Spectrum. Frank is a kid who believes in a message and is working tirelessly to promote his cause -- not because he wants to write "President of Spectrum" on his application to graduate school,

once, it is not the fault of the administration. It's up to us students to choose to serve others for the purpose of serving. You have to be willing to sacrifice yourself.

It's all about image and I am sick of it. I want you to do it from the heart, and not from the fear of not being able to obtain a six-digit figure right out of college. Honestly, it's not about you. Service and extracurricular activities are not fulfilling the Jesuit ideals if you do them for your own selfish reasons. Isn't one of the Jesuit mottos "Men and Women For Others?" Yeah, don't talk the talk if you can't walk the walk.

Before I finish my lengthy diatribe, I'll offer you a small disclaimer: This article is in no way intended to take away from all of the people on this campus who have good intentions and do good work. With that being said, please take this article to heart.

### The Pretentiousness Turnpike

by Liz Genco



Campus Ministry intern who dabbles as a Student Government Association Representative and an editor of the yearbook. They juggle all these tasks with schoolwork and the 6,000 hours of community service they complete each month.

There is absolutely nothing wrong with being one of the people included in this group. In fact, many of you reading this are staring at the page in disbelief, saying, "Wait, Liz is one of my closest friends. How could she be saying these evil things about me?"

I am not bashing you at all. I myself am one of these people, stretched way too thin, constantly battling illness because I don't sleep enough or take my vitamins (sorry, Mom!). racing from meeting to meeting during the week and constantly canceling social events to do work. In fact, I commend you for being able to have so many balls in the air and not dropping a single one.

I am bashing those of you reading this that constantly complain because you have "no time" because of your various activities when the truth is that you are doing your activities for self serving reasons.

I can't express in words how many times I have heard, "Oh my God, I haven't done service yet this year. That's going to look horrible on my resumé." It's as if there are a select group of kids on this campus who actually want to make a difference, and everyone else is just enjoying the ride.

I came to Loyola as the queen of service. I was the chairman of a Drug and Alcohol Awareness and Prevention Alliance that went to nearby rehabilitation centers to coun-

sel recovering addicts. I can't tell you how many sandwiches I made and bagged lunches I passed out in the slums of Newark, New Jersey; I still talk to the residents of a battered women's shelter there. I am not trying to toot my own horn. I am trying to express to you that I did these things because I had heart. It made me cry when I left every place because I knew that I was never going to understand how this affected the people I reached out to. There are still people on this campus who do things with a message for the sake of the message. In the past few weeks, *The Greyhound* has given a lot of press to Frank Golom and Spectrum. Frank is a kid who believes in a message and is working tirelessly to promote his cause -- not because he wants to write "President of Spectrum" on his application to graduate school, but rather to promote acceptance of alternative sexualities. Take Danielle Miller. As one of the interns in the Center for Values and Service, she works tirelessly to promote a cause that means something. She wants change, and isn't doing it so that Joe Schmo will recognize her as she walks across campus. I think I could go on and on, listing people who are active to incite change rather than look good, but it saddens me that the list does not include all 3400 students on this campus.

There has to be something done about this. For

## From the Desk of the SGA President

There are a lot of things going on with your Student Government Association at the moment. Above all, the new Recycling campaign is in full effect. You've seen blue bins all over the place, and now it's time for you to put something in them.

If you live in Butler and Hammerman, you'll notice that there are bins for all recyclable materials in the lobbies of your building.

If you've got cans, bring them down and dispose of them there. If you live elsewhere, the Student Recycling Coalition will be starting a drive to get you recycling in your residence halls as well. Clean paper recycling has started up in all offices and departments across campus, allowing faculty, staff and administrators to join in the fun. According to Loyola's waste management contractor, our school recycled 187 TONS of clean paper and cardboard last year alone. For more information, check out [www.loyola.edu/recycle](http://www.loyola.edu/recycle) and see how you can make a difference.

Like most seniors, I am trying to figure out what I'm going to be doing at this time next year. Your SGA is also concerned with its future: There was a lot of press in this paper over the past couple of months about the proposed SGA Constitution and how it will affect this organization. The proposed constitution will be up for a student referendum in the next week and it needs a majority student vote in order to be put into effect. To view a copy, check out our website at [www.loyola.edu/sga](http://www.loyola.edu/sga).

By the way, I am totally excited for Senior 100s. Make sure that you bust out your raddest Miami Vice gear and 80s prom dresses and head down to Reitz Saturday night for loads of fun and excitement.

*R.P. Nowlin*  
Ryan P. Nowlin



# OPINIONS



## LOYOLA'S GATEWAY TO INSANITY



### I'm the best because my T-shirt says 'Loyola'

I must begin this article with a long overdue apology. That's right: I'm sorry. I'm sorry for constantly poopoo-ing Loyola and my fellow students for my own twisted, bitter benefit. I'm sorry for accentuating the nega-

and bushy-tailed in the fall of 1999.

How I presented myself before succumbing to a rare form of Loyolaitis is not of importance to my argument. My image changed, that's all you need to know. However, it is imperative to understand that I used to not care how I looked when I left my house in the morning. I vowed I would never live and die by the impressions I made on other people with my clothing, hairstyle, shoes and car. Well, now I have to apologize to myself. Self, I lied. I'm sorry.

Unbeknownst to me, I've spent the past five semesters doing nothing more than throwing my exterior into a changing room of fabrication day-in and day-out. It takes a lot to stick out and look 'good' at this school because the standards of socially accepted beauty are handed down from the publishers of the Victoria's Secret catalogue and *GQ*. On the other hand, it takes very little to look, in the eyes of our student body, unsuitable for public exposure.

Adapting to this environment was much easier than I expected and helped me quickly forget the parting words, "I don't fit in here," muttered to my mother as I hugged her goodbye the first day of freshman year. If it's only what's on the outside that counts then why bother caring about anything else? Personality, a sense of humor and a kind soul only matter in long-term relationships. Loyola taught me that the funny, social, understanding person can't compare to the 'pretty' people in brief social interaction, so I adjusted accordingly.

Now, for the proof that something so shallow could be so positive for me. When I visit my friends at other schools I am always the best dressed and carry my outward ap-

pearance with the highest esteem. I run into people who graduated from high school with me and they can't believe how different I look. Most of all, the girls from my graduating class notice me -- three years after high school ended.

I cannot forget to boast about how I've come full circle, stepping beyond simply 'looking good' and into the realm of 'I look good enough to judge you based on how you look and nothing else.' I've implemented this tool to make sweeping judgments about other colleges when I really have no idea what I'm talking about. By this standard, Loyola is a better school than Georgetown, Rutgers, Mary Washington, Rider and George Washington. As far as I'm concerned, *The Princeton Review* is nothing more than a book of lies.

Regardless of the other problems affecting our lives and the world around us, Loyola students will always be able to fall back on our inflated sense of physical arrogance. I can attest that thinking this way got me through some rough times and I don't even smoke pot or drink very much. Failed a test? So what, you looked hot when you took it. Girlfriend/boyfriend leaves you? Big deal, you're hot enough to score with anyone you want. Bad hair day? You're screwed. But if you have a history of being a trendsetter, you never know.

So thank you, Loyola, for giving me the ability to convince myself that on the outside I'm something special. Thank you for showing me the light and allowing me to truly understand how foolish I was when I assumed that the world cares about who I really am deep down. I have my cell if you need me.

### Goodies for the week of Feb. 5, 2002

#### Nostalgia of the Week:

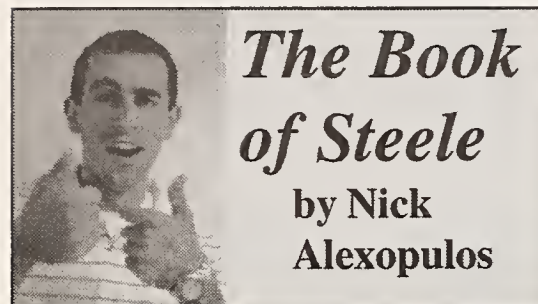
Playing manhunt at night in the woods behind your house with a bunch of your closest friends. Following your mother's advice, you make sure to avoid the drainage basin where the homeless man lives with his army of cats. Of course, you act like you fearlessly approach him to impress girls at recess with your rebellious self. Because you're still too young to drive, you invite the awestruck females to your house to play manhunt. Your parents ruin the fun by showing off pictures of you naked in a bathtub as a baby.

#### Cheap Fun Thing To Do of the Week:

Eat spare change. Repeat.

#### Coming Next Week:

- \* Nick's 21 Birthday Bash Special Issue, complete with photos of crossdressing midgets, a giant inflatable banana and bottle rockets.
- \* Your MWF classes, and if you're nice, your TTH classes, too.
- \* Rejected characters from the Lord of the Rings Fellowship:
  - Steve, the Alcoholic Gnome Plumber
  - Ninja Gaiden
  - Mike "Elf ears are tasty" Tyson
  - King Bill of the Albinos, and his sidekick, Marty, the Weed



tive on a weekly basis and crying because my high school didn't have a lacrosse team. I'm sorry for harboring animosity towards Al Gore, Bill and Hillary, even though this is a Catholic institution and I've learned that works of Satan are bad. I'm sorry for naively assuming you care.

With the unnecessary groveling out of the way, I'm proud to announce that I have finally discovered something Loyola offers that is worthy of my praise. Aside from incredible dorms, a beautiful campus and, oh yes, even academics. I will graduate knowing Loyola allowed me to renovate my pitiful self image so the rest of the world can look at me without laughing. That is, if they don't know me at all.

First, let me clarify. When I refer to my 'image' I'm not talking about the maturing of my personality through disillusioning experiences and Kairos tear-collecting buckets. Oh no. By 'image' I'm referring exclusively to my superficial outside appearance, one that failed to move above 'grunge' and 'new pants' until I arrived here bright-eyed

### Top Ten

#### Loyola College Ben and Jerry's Flavors

10. **Long Island Ice Tea:** It gets you drunk and it's from the best part of the U.S. ... on second thought, it just gets you drunk.
9. **Banana Republican:** A mixture of bananas grown by four-year-olds in Pakistan and large bundles of money. Costs \$49.99 for a 1/2 pint.
8. **Nuts about Academics:** Whoops. This one belongs in the Princeton newspaper.
7. **Chubby Hubby Freshman:** The ice cream for the girl who was hot in high school but then discovered an endless meal plan.
6. **York Drunken Patty:** A minty breath freshener for that girl who had one too many Midori Sours at Swallows.
5. **Primo's Gourmet Chocolate:** Chocolate ice cream that is three times what it costs in the real world because it supposedly uses better ingredients. However, it still tastes like crap.
4. **Future Donations to Loyola College from Students Who Paid Alcohol Fines Crunch:** An empty pint.
3. **Construction Eruption:** A nice blend of strawberry ice cream and chocolate swirls. This flavor will unfortunately not be available until after you graduate due to its front label being changed every three months.
2. **Diversity Adversity:** 90% Vanilla, 5% chocolate, 2% strawberry and 3% other as stated in *US News and World Report's* "Choosing the Right Ice Cream For Your Kids."
1. **Vanilla**

### Political correctness dulls our sense of reality

I have long been an avid opponent of those who push political correctness. As I like to say, I am on the side of common sense and free speech. One can see this quite clearly from the stack of letters from Student

tory names are there to show us that using that language is wrong. We read the story and learn from it. This is the whole basis of our history.

If individuals learning how to become better people offend you, then cry about it. You can go off into the corner and tell the wall how righteous you are while we enjoy classic literature and become educated by the mistakes of our predecessors.

The largest blow to our society came just a few weeks ago. Those who would protect our virgin ears from bad words released *The Politically Correct Bible*.

This Bible tells the story of God the Father/Mother (so as to erase sexism) who created the world out of the absence of light (the word dark can be interpreted to mean African-American and is therefore offensive). At His almighty hand (not his right hand, due to the fact that that excludes lefties) sits His child (who could be a man or woman) Jesus. We are all children of God (not sons of God).

Were there one book in the entire world that I would not stand to see slandered, it would be the Bible, the word of God. You do not change that stuff so it fits your needs. If we could do that, the Ten Commandments would include "Thou shalt become divinely plastered upon the Sabbath," and "The Lord decrees that two Playmates shall be reserved for his servant Geoff Sasso."

The Bible is one of the few literary works that we can actually say is set in stone. Just ask Moses.

If the PC movement is not curtailed, we may soon live in a world that is a fuzzy, soft, non-offensive, twisted version of itself. Imagine if some Jewish people decided that the

Holocaust was offensive and that all materials involving it should be destroyed. The Holocaust Museum is torn down and all literature and textbooks are made less offensive. Now no one truly recognizes the gravity of what happened. Without the knowledge of the horrors committed back then, it could quite possibly be allowed to happen again.

I am sorry if some aspects of society offend people. However, there will always be one person who is offended by something. It is impossible to avoid treading on someone's toes. I am sure there is someone somewhere who is offended by cheese.

Instead of the PC movement, I suggest we adopt the GU movement. Grow Up! No one likes a crybaby. Everyone should have learned in elementary school that the person who gets teased either fights back or ignores it. The one little baby who cries to the teacher just ends up getting more wedgies and beatdowns from the class bully.

The individual who changes everything in order to protect the feelings of others is like the person who eats nothing but low-fat, tasteless food in order to look good. They may feel like they are bettering themselves, but in reality their life is just crap.

### The Ninth Circle of Sasso by Geoff Sasso



Life that I proudly display. For those of you who are in the dark as to what PC is, allow me to enlighten you.

A few years back, our country made a movement to correct our language and make it less offensive to some people. The word 'African-American' replaced the word 'black'; 'alternate lifestyle' oftentimes replaces 'homosexuality'; 'differently enabled' replaces 'handicapped,' etc.

However, PC is one the biggest potential destroyers of our society. About five years ago, a group of individuals were offended by the language used to describe black people in the book *Huckleberry Finn*. One of the main aspects of this story is slavery, so it is obvious that much of this language is derogatory and offensive. The crusaders for righteousness who rallied against this classic decided that the language needed to be adapted to fit the attitudes of modern times.

No, it does not! The language is in place specifically for the same reason that these individuals wanted to abolish it. The deroga-

### Geoff and Nick's "What's Hot/Not" of the Week:

**Hot:** The new *Indiana Jones* movie.

**Not:** The new Hugh Grant movie. Whatever it is, we don't care. It's Hugh Grant! Did you SEE *Nine Months*??? We didn't think so ...

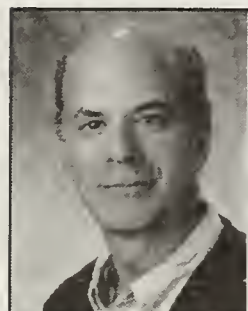


# OPINIONS

## Faculty Reactions to the State of the Union Address

### Irony consumes Bush's agenda to act on the actions of others

Like the so-called presidential debates, the State of the Union is one of those weird mediated events that serve as markers for American politics in the television age.



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While ostensibly a constitutionally mandated report to Congress -- our first presidents used to just send a letter -- the State of Union address is now a chance for the president to address the "entire" country, or at least those folks who don't want to watch what is on the Animal Channel during that time slot.

The viewing public gets to voyeuristically peek in as the President talks; members of Congress jump to their feet or sit on their hands; and the pundits tell us what it all means to us. It reminds me of a football game, but only one side plays offense and the commentators decide who wins.

What struck me about last week's State of the Union address is that -- despite our strong desire to see the president as the Leader of the Free World, resolutely guiding us to a better tomorrow -- in fact, events drive policy more than policy drive events. And because events drive policy, I found the State of the Union address filled with irony.

Perhaps I follow politics too closely, but I had to smile to myself when I heard President Bush proclaim that America would be a loyal partner in rebuilding Afghanistan. This was the same fellow who had blasted the opposition in the election for getting the United States bogged down in "nation building" in the Balkans.

And then President Bush promised that we would pursue terrorists wherever they could be found around the world. We now have troops in the Philippines, Bosnia and off the coast of Africa. And, he promised to fight this war on terrorism for as long as it would take. I remember President Bush faulting his predecessor for getting us involved in murky engagements around the world in which the military and political objectives were not well defined. Earlier in his own administration, he had backed off peace-making in the Middle East.

And it goes on. Didn't Republicans used to be against deficit spending? With the largest increase

in defense spending in two decades, a large increase in spending on homeland security, more spending on domestic priorities like education and, oh yes, a tax cut in the President's budget proposal, the net result is a budget deficit.

But for me, the most ironic moment came when President Bush announced the creation of Freedom Corp USA to "expand and improve the good efforts of Americorp."

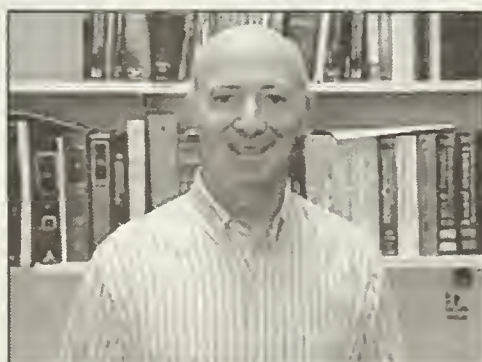
Say what? When the Americorp was created, many in the Republican camp ridiculed the idea of offering aid for college tuition plus a small stipend for volunteer work. "Why that violated the very spirit of volunteering," they argued. Well, never mind.

But the irony that President Clinton could have just as easily and just as sincerely delivered this speech is only part of the story. Throughout 2000, President Bush and former Vice President Gore crisscrossed the country giving speeches about what they would

do with the upcoming 10 years of budget surplus. But the surplus hasn't materialized. They debated what to do about prescription drug benefits for senior citizens, not how to effectively fight terrorists. They talked about drilling for oil in Alaska, not how to bolster homeland security. For me, the State of the Union

was deeply ironic because it was completely disconnected from the campaign which preceded it.

There was a lot in the speech that worried me. I wonder how we will be build the necessary international coalition to fight the axis of evil of Korea, Iran and Iraq. (I thought Iran was trying to rebuild ties with us.) And I wonder if we will ever be able to rid the world of folks who are willing to murder hundreds or thousands of folks in some terrible cause. Timothy McVeigh grew up right here.



**"In explaining why the war on terror will be long and difficult he was extraordinarily clear and convincing. On the economic issues he was much less persuasive and the outcome on the economic issues is immensely complicated by the fact that this is an election year."**

*- Dr. William Kitchin*

On the other hand, who can be opposed to improving security and working to improving the economy; to training better teachers and building better schools; to taking care of ourselves and folks around the world? But I wonder if either the positive or negative potential outcomes will be as much shaped by the president as dictated to him by unforeseeable events. But if I felt I was in a house of mirrors for most of the speech, I think one thing has become crystal clear. The official Washington punditocracy sees George W. Bush as president. Until Sept. 11, the pundits saw President Bush as a bumbling lightweight. Sept. 11 has given the president vigor, authority and direction, and pundits like that. Say what you want about President Bush -- it seems that war becomes him.

### Clap if you hate 'evil-doers'

President Bush, your presidency began without a political mandate, without a cause to push forward and without a clear concept of America's place in the world.

What a difference a year makes.

Good job, George. You've bombed (or threatened to bomb) one fifth of the world, you've fully recovered from your rigged election and you've added a few new words to our lexicon.

Now, as your approval rating is soaring in the high 80s, you had the opportunity to address the nation -- and the world -- in what could have been your most important primetime speech. You had the chance to address the issues closest to our hearts as Americans.

And what did you do? You handed out more threats, talked about dropping more bombs and warned the country that we'll be running a deficit for a few years.

You brought up the issues you knew would get the strongest reactions from the chamber. And, like pre-programmed puppets, your audience clapped every time you took a breath between sentences -- as if it were an impassioned, hard-hitting speech.

But more importantly, you avoided the tough ones -- some of the most important issues concerning Americans today: education, health care, the environment, cloning ... and the list goes on.

Basically, George, I think you're in trouble. Not the kind of trouble Clinton found himself in, but rather the kind that spelled the end of your father's political career.

Yes, we all like your "look-at-me-I'm-trying-to-be-serious" grimace and we like how you've handled the beginning of the world's first anti-evil-doer crusade. But remember what happened to the former President George Bush after the Gulf War. He lost his presidency to Clinton because he paid so little attention to the "homeland"...

My advice to you, George: Fight the war on terror but be ready to deal with the issues that will face Americans long after the war is over.

And just in case readers missed the State of the Union, here's what I remember of it:

Mr. Speaker, all you folks at home ... as we gather tonight, our nation is at war, our investments have tanked, all the Bush daughters are either in jail or on probation and my wife is wearing the brightest red dress I've ever seen. Oh, and the state of the union has never been stronger.

(APPLAUSE)

Can y'all believe they're letting me talk

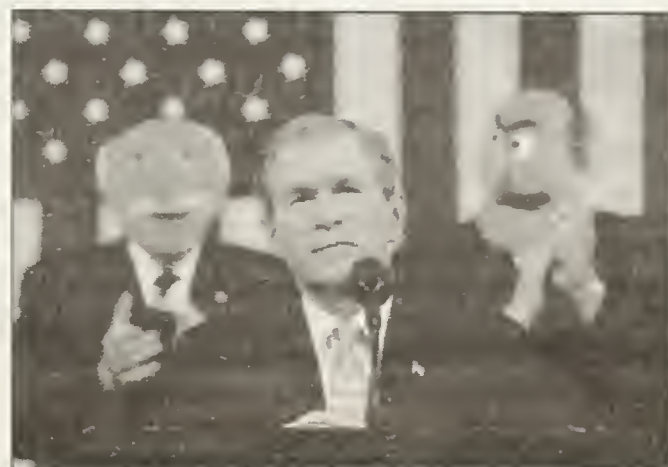
for a whole hour straight? Y'all better clap a lot so I ...

(APPLAUSE)

Thanks. Just a few things to talk about tonight. But first things first. Holy smokes ... Dick Cheney's here with us tonight! If

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**"Do you think we should stop throwing gum at his head?" "Don't forfeit now, it's best-out-of-five. Keep clapping and act like you care."**

*Photo courtesy of Kevin Atticks*

yourself a goner. That goes for you, Osama. And you, too, Saddam. And all you other guys over there in that part of the world as well.

(APPLAUSE)

Dick, pass the pretzels. Now, I don't know about y'all, but when Enron collapsed, I lost a few million dollars. And from what I hear, most of us here in this chamber lost money, too. Enron proves we've got evil-doers within our borders. Oh well. Just can't trust anyone anymore.

Speaking of that, Jenna's finally back at college after doing community service. And she's promised not to harbor evil Dewars anymore.

(APPLAUSE)

I'm not even going to address my prescription-filling junkie niece, Noelle.

(APPLAUSE)

On to oil. We're gonna drill like there's no tomorrow, even if that means we're doin' it in an Alaskan wildlife refuge. They'll get over it. Who lives in Alaska, anyway?

(APPLAUSE)

Yep, I think that's it. Can't think of anything else going on in the U. S. of A., so thanks for coming and good night to y'all.

(APPLAUSE)



## FEATURES

# The man behind Gator's Pub: outdoor adventurer Ray Santa

## Maryland native has hunted alligators and poisonous snakes in South America

by Kevin Ryan  
Managing Editor

On most weekday afternoons, you'll find Ray Santa at Gator's Pub and Pizza on York Road, where he is the majority owner. But you could also find him in Belize hunting half-alligator, half-crocodile animals, in Costa Rica capturing deadly poisonous snakes or in North Carolina bounty hunting, looking for alleged 1996 Olympic bomber Eric Rudolph.

"Bounty hunting fulfilled a lot of things that I wanted to do," Santa says. "I wanted to do something with a lot of excitement, daring and adventure. And to see if I could muster up the guts to do something like that in the woods by myself, when someone else has a gun and I don't. It was a scary test, but it was great."



Ray Santa, primary owner of Gator's Pub and Pizza on York Rd., poses in front of his custom-made bar.

photo by Kevin Ryan

Santa has had an interest in the outdoors since he was a young boy, growing up in Baltimore.

"I went with my friend George [Grall] to Loch Raven Dam, and every weekend we would catch black snakes, turtles, racers, things like that. Eventually we started going out a little further — out to Saint Mary's

County, different places," said Santa.

At the age of 20, Santa made his first trip to Florida to catch rattlesnakes, Eastern diamondbacks and pygmy rattlers. Then one day, his friend Grall who worked for Biologicals Unlimited milking cobras and other snakes for their poison, called and asked Santa if he wanted to go to Central America to hunt snakes for the company.

"He [Grall] came to me, and said 'Why don't we go to Central America?' 'Well that's so quick,' I said. I made a big song and dance — but we ended up leaving about a week later," said Santa.

"I went out and bought a Volkswagen, a '66 Beetle, didn't know anything about it. It had 80,000 miles and I bought it for \$400. We jumped in it, got tags on it and went to Central America," Santa said.

Santa spent six months in Costa Rica, collecting snakes and sending them back air freight to the United States.

"We would go around to these little villages and offer money if they would collect snakes for us. I mean, you could go around and collect a few of them, but we wanted to catch a lot," Santa said. "So you go down and offer them two dollars for 20 of them. Before you know it, we had collected a lot of snakes."

Santa returned to the United States eventually, but continued to make trips to Central and South America. Working with Grall for National Geographic Magazine, Santa went to Belize looking for the Morelet's crocodile, a half-croc, half-alligator reptile. Morelet's crocodiles are very agile and dangerous animals that are capable of running through the jungle, Santa said.

"We went down there to look for them, and we came across one. It was the middle of the night, and I held it down for the pictures. But I almost got surrounded by 12 of them after my feet got stuck in the mud," he said.

Santa's adventures and courageous hunting methods won him a notoreity in Costa Rica. It also almost cost him his life.

"I almost died from the poison-dart frog," said Santa. "I wound up hospitalized in Costa Rica. Everybody knew me down there. The Costa Rican government even flew me around in a plane to certain areas to catch snakes."

Along the way, Santa got into the bar business. In 1985, he ran his first bar, Schaeffer's, in nearby Towson. Two years later, he purchased what was to become Gator's Pub — taking the name from the animals he hunted.

"Everyone kind of wants to own a bar, except I went ahead and did it. Gator's is 15 years old this year," he says proudly.

Divorced, Santa says he is thankful that his parents and brother are doing well. "My father comes into work with me almost every day," he said. "I've got a great staff working with me, too."

His most impressive endeavor was the attempt to catch Rudolph, the Olympic bombing suspect.

"It was really just off the cuff, when I went



The head of an alligator is on display in Gator's Pub.

photo by Kevin Ryan

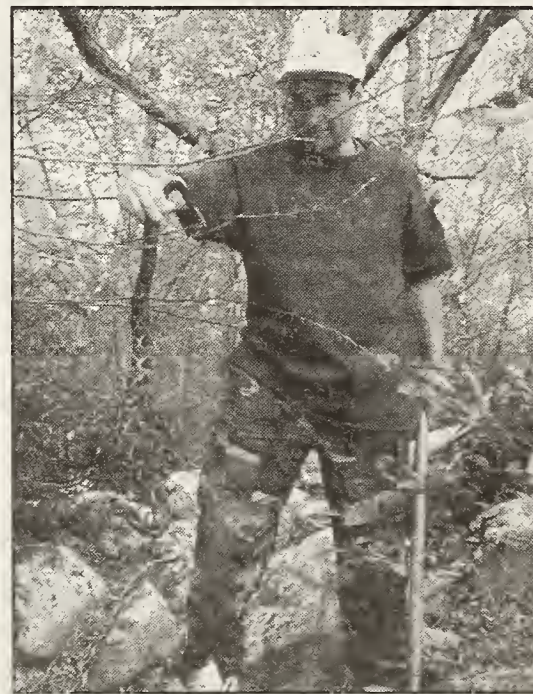
down to North Carolina to look for Rudolph," he says. "I was going to go on vacation to South America, but then the I thought, 'Hell, this is right in my backyard down in North Carolina, which is where the authorities said he had turned up last.'"

The authorities had told people in the area that Rudolph was thought to be heavily armed with bombs and an AR-15 semiautomatic rifle. So Santa ditched his vacation plans and spent a month in the woods looking for Rudolph in what he said he thought would be "the ultimate hunt."

"I took my mountain bike down with me, didn't bring a gun. I thought I was giving him a fair shot -- he had a gun and I didn't. All I had was a pair of handcuffs," Santa said. "But I didn't have any luck finding him."

The adventure and daring that Santa lives for has put him into some scary times, he says.

"One time I was in the area where Rudolph was last seen and I was lying down in my truck; it was nighttime. It was probably 3 a.m. And in the truck, if you pull the door handle, the light comes on. I was asleep, and all of a sudden the light comes on," he said. "There's this guy looking at me, with this beard and camouflage, and he's beating on the windows. It scared the living crap out of me. I thought this



Santa holds up a poisonous Eastern rattlesnake for the camera. He was once hospitalized during a search for poison dart frogs.

photo courtesy of Ray Santa

guy had me. I thought it was Eric Rudolph. He could see me, I couldn't see him and I was dead to the world."

It turned out to be just a drunk guy, who saw Santa's truck.

"That was a test just to be there by yourself," Santa says. "Stuff like that happens."

Even when he is not hunting alligators or looking for Rudolph, Santa keeps in shape, exercising almost every day.

"In the morning, I roller blade around 13 miles and play racquetball in the afternoon. In the evening, I go out mountain biking, if it's warm enough, up by Loch Raven Dam. I like doing night rides, all by myself, deep in the woods," he said.

"I'm just thankful that I get up every day and can't wait to live life to the fullest, and by the time I go to sleep at night, I'm exhausted because I've gotten all I can out of the day."

## Ecstasy drug has hidden dangers

by William Spagnola  
Staff Writer

Dr. Anthony Tommasello's lecture on the danger of drugs, a result of over 20 years of intensive study, drew a packed house on Tuesday, Jan. 29.

Pleased by the exceptional turnout, Tommasello remarked, "I'm not used to getting so many people. I usually get around two people and they're not the people who would need to attend."

Tommasello is an associate professor of pharmacy at the University of Maryland, as well as the director of the Office of Substance Abuse Studies

The focus of the lecture, along with exploring the long-term and short-term detriments of Ecstasy use, was to emphasize the difference between happiness from drugs and happiness from achievement despite their chemical similarities.

"Although they have the same acute experience, a drug high lacks reflection," Tommasello explained. Tommasello contrasted the fulfilling experience of competing in sports or getting a diploma with the temporary high attained from ecstasy use.

Ecstasy, or MDMA, has been around since 1917 but has only become a popular recreation drug in recent years.

In the past two years the availability rate has "skyrocketed," according to Tommasello. According to a Reuters Health article, "there was a 69% increase in US college students' reports of Ecstasy use."

Half an hour after ingestion the drug begins to take effect. The drug hits the receptors in the brain, causing a feeling of happiness. However, Tommasello maintained, "Any drug high is an artificial stimulation. A drug high is a cheap alternative to a natural high because it doesn't last."

For example, part of the effects of the drug is the "strong feeling of being in a group" at the raves and party where the drug is taken. But as soon as the drug wears off, the other people "become complete strangers."

Among the hazards of using the drug is the risk of seizures from excessive body temperatures and kidney failure.

Even normal dosages used for recreational effect have been proven to lead to "serotonin degeneration." Serotonin is the neural transmitter involved in such crucial functions as appetite and sleep.

Long-term consequences include "reduced memory for new information and impaired higher executive processing."

This degenerative process is referred to as "pruning," in which neural transmitters are "prevented from making connections that are productive and encourage unproductive connections."

Productive connections are results of activities such as "working out, reading a poem or learning a musical instrument" which encourage productive connections in the brain. Ecstasy use can also "impair sexual responses in both males and females."

One of the worst problems might not be the MDMA itself but other substances inside the pill.

"There is no FDA protecting users, so there is questionable quality control," Tommasello said.

According to Tommasello, a test conducted by Dancesafe.com found that "50% of Ecstasy tablets had very dangerous chemicals in the them" besides MDMA.

"Some raves have desks where pills can be tested, but even a positive test don't tell you what else is in there," he added.

Tommasello was very receptive to questions throughout the lecture. When one girl asked him about the difference between drugs like Ecstasy and Prozac, Tommasello point out that there was no clinical evidence that Prozac leads to serotonin degeneration or any other physical side effects.

When another student asked about whether or not drugs should be allowed for medicinal purposes, Tommasello responded that narcotics have been proven "to reduce request for pain medication and help the terminally ill become more accepting of death."

He added that it was "absolutely ridiculous for certain drugs to be illegal" for the terminally ill because there is no reason to worry about the catastrophic effects of addiction that most of us must worry about.

Tommasello's main theme of the emptiness of euphoria from substances can be summarized by the video he began his lecture with.

The video maintained that "we are in a life struggle to find happiness," but it is not a quick fix that we really want. It is the struggle itself.



## FEATURES

# Gere, Linney make you believe in Pellingtons' *Mothman Prophecies*

by **Faith Hayden**  
Features Editor

If anyone was to read the plot synopsis or view the trailer of Richard Gere's new effort, *The Mothman Prophecies*, it would be quickly dismissed as some terribly cheesy made-for-T.V. movie on the Sci-fi channel aired at 3 a.m.

Keep in mind, like the movie itself, a plot synopsis can be misleading. In case you were ignoring the tag line scrawled across all of the posters, *The Mothman Prophecies* are based on true events.



Richard Gere and Laura Linney attempt to solve the Mothman mystery.

photo courtesy of Sony Pictures Entertainment

It is an actual legend from West Virginia, where the events of the film took place in the late 1960s. Updated to the present, the movie

follows the events of the winter of 1967 and plays it out on screen. Very little of the situation is explained, and this is precisely what makes the movie so unsettlingly realistic.

John Klein (Richard Gere) is a *Washington Post* journalist who loses his wife (Debra Messing) to a brain tumor that is only discovered after the couple was run off the road by a giant moth-like creature.

Before her death, she draws picture after picture of this disgusting being, which John only finds after it's too late to ask her any questions.

Then, two years later, driving from Washington D.C. at 1 a.m., John ends up in the podunk town of Point Pleasant, W. Va., which lies on the border of the Ohio River. Did I mention that the six hour trip only took an hour and a half? Just wait, it only gets weirder.

After walking to a neighbor's house for help, he is greeted by a disgruntled townie waving a gun screaming that John had been there at the exact same time the past two nights in a row. Yeah, I know; it doesn't make sense to him either.

John finds himself stuck in a town riddled with strange phone calls, time warps, UFO-ish lights and most importantly, repeated sightings of an eight foot moth-like creature warning of pending doom.

Obviously, we know what sparked his interest.

The acting in the film is excellent. Gere, Messing and Laura Linney, who plays Connie Parker, a cop and Gere's partner, really sell their parts.

Linney and Gere, who can also be seen playing opposite each other in *Primal Fear*, have not lost any of their chemistry. Linney does an excellent job of portraying the rational cop opposite Gere's irrational thinking. Much like a Mulder and Scully duo, they play off each other well, working to make sense of an impossible situation.

Director Mark Pellington (Pearl Jam's "Jeremy" video, *Arlington Road*) leaves you a trail of clues to follow that only lead to a dead end. Under normal conditions, this dead end would be frustrating.

However, because the events actually occurred, the stand still just makes everything that more believable.

*The Mothman Prophecies* is a film that contains the same qualities as the *Blair Witch Project*; as the campers found out,



Richard Gere stars as an obsessive journalist trying to find out the secret of the mysterious Mothman, who may or may not have a connection to the death of his wife. The film is an update of actual events that transpired in the 1960s.

Photo courtesy of Sony Pictures Entertainment

just because you can't see something watching you doesn't mean it isn't there.

Pellington does an excellent job making the invisible visible to the audience. Through things such as the mood of a scene, a simple flash of water or the color red, the audience is able to piece together the mystery bit by bit. Pellington weaves hidden clues throughout the intriguing plot, making every moment that passes on screen connect with something further along in the film.

It is the specific attention to detail that makes this movie a winner. Anyone can make a movie about a terrifying legend, but only Pellington makes it believable.

# Direction is lacking but acting soars in Penn's new film *I am Sam* presents heartbreaking tale of a mentally challenged father

by **Ron Giddings**  
Staff Writer

*I Am Sam* is a breath of fresh air and proves that sentimentality is not dead. This emotional drama tells the story of a man with the mind of a seven-year old, fighting for the custody of his seven-year old daughter.

Sean Penn stars as the man lost in the world around him, Sam Dawson. He is forced to watch as his daughter, Lucy, grows continually more intelligent, yet his mind remains that of a kindergartner.

Social Services feels that he is incapable

of providing for his daughter's needs, and on her seventh birthday, she is removed from his care pending a court case.

Sam is rescued by hotshot lawyer, Rita Harrison (Michelle Pfeiffer), who takes the case for free as an answer to a challenge from her colleagues.

The tearjerking ensues, yet the story remains surprisingly intense with an excellent balance of sub-plot about Harrison's own familial problems and courtroom scenes that keep you tied to Dawson's struggle.

With an all-star cast, *I Am Sam* is remark-

ably well structured, but disappointingly directed by Jessie Nelson.

The artsy shots that abound in this picture detract from the story and are downright irritating to sit through. A muddy vision of a fantastic script almost ruins this movie, but the stellar cast holds it together.

Dianne Wiest plays the agoraphobic godmother of Dawson's daughter. Her portrayal of a truly tortured genius is heart stopping and Oscar-worthy. She is intense and heart-felt throughout the movie and makes a small role into a scene-stealer.

Sean Penn handles the very difficult role of playing Sam with all his eccentricities. There is a clichéd touch of *Rain Man* in his performance, but apart from this, he is devastatingly weak and helpless to the events affecting his life.

This is not his most original performance, but a welcome change from the normally odd fare that he produces.

Michelle Pfeiffer is inventive and breaks out of type as hard-nosed lawyer, Rita Harrison. She breathes life into a character that has none and more than holds her own against Penn's showy part. Honest and real, she gives her best performance in years and should also be considered for an Academy Award.

The soundtrack for the movie is composed entirely of Beatles cover songs, some more enjoyable than others, but all appropriate to the setting and story.

The Beatles are now considered such a classic band that most audience members will know the words to the songs and are

comforted by the familiar tunes. Ben Folds' cover of "Golden Slumbers" is beautiful, as well as Sarah McLachlan's "Blackbird."

This movie reminds us that they are human just like we are and have problems that are bigger than we can possibly imagine.

By humanizing parents, the movie is sentimental with an edge, leaving the audience uplifted, despite the depressing realization that they are as helpless as we are sometimes.

Overall, the movie tells an amazing story of one man's struggle with his handicap, while one woman realizes that no one is without faults.

The movie is raw and jammed with drama

## Evergreen Players' musical *City of Angels* prepares for opening



Eric Morris and Jess Scully rehearse for the Evergreen production of *City of Angels*. This scene appears right before the song, "It Needs Work."

photo by Faith Hayden

*City of Angels*, follows Stein, a fiction writer in Hollywood trying to turn his detective novel into a screenplay. As the action begins, we meet Stone, Stein's made up detective, in the hospital with a bullet wound. As Stone relates the story of his injury, Stein begins to rewrite his story. As Stein buries himself in the fantasy world of his detective story, however, his personal life begins to fall apart. When his wife leaves him, he must make some decisions about what is really important in his life.

Show runs Feb. 15, 16, 17 and 22, 23, 24 in McManus Theater



Sean Penn and Dakota Fanning share a tender moment in *I am Sam*.

photo courtesy of New Line Cinema

well worth the price of admission. My only advice is to sit back from the screen; the dizzying shots might make one sick if they are too close. While the directing could use a little help, the story is dead on and refreshing in comparison to the violence all around, even at the movies.

*I Am Sam* has no violence, no sex and no nudity, reminding the audience that what counts in a movie is the story, not the fluff.



# FEATURES

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The editors of The Greyhound recently approached us with a problem: a drinking problem. But regardless of what you may think about Nick Alexopoulos, they were talking about the local party scene.

Concerned about the monotony of venturing out to York Road each weekend, they sent the three of us on a quest (actually, our other three roommates went too, but they can't read or write) to discover new places that Loyola students could try out.

And discover we did, over and over again.

## Destination:

### Mick O'Shea's Irish Pub

Mick O'Shea's first caught our attention last winter when we heard that O'Malley's March (the band fronted by Baltimore Mayor Martin O'Malley) would be playing a live set there in late February.

We were disappointed to discover that when things heat up at City Hall, his Honor steps aside in favor of a stand-in.

But that did not prevent us from enjoying a full night of cold beer, tasty appetizers and of course ... bagpipes, bagpipes, bagpipes!

Since then, Mick's has become one of our favorite local watering holes.

We stop in regularly for a cool pint of Bass, and keep tabs on the musical acts through the pub's website: [www.mickosheas.com](http://www.mickosheas.com).

Mick's is located in a trendy section of Baltimore, surrounded by a cornucopia of small shops and ethnic restaurants.

## What to wear:

Mick's is a small, refreshing slice of Irish culture located in a town which is probably better known for homicides and heroin, so do yourself a favor and try to indulge the atmosphere as much as possible.

Leave the tube tops, gold chains and hoop earrings at home. Jeans

## Bursting

and a sweater work just fine.

Curly red hair, green eyes and rosy cheeks are optional.

## Atmosphere:

As you enter the pub, the bar should be easy to find no matter where you've been previously. Walk a few steps and it's right in front of you.

A few tall cocktail tables with stools are just off to the right. If you're there solely to

the



Bubble

has to offer lives here; Black 47, The Wolfe Tones and The Dublin City Ramblers are among

some of the more well-known acts whose shennanigans have delighted local listeners.

There's also a modest selection of chow, which is expensive but graciously portioned, with the kitchen open till midnight most nights. Try the shepherd's pie. Oh, and did we mention ...

## What to drink:

The beer? O'Shea's helps you get your Irish up

with a nice variety of tap beers. York Road staples Yuengling and Miller Lite are available, as well as locally brewed Oliver's Irish Red. But what's a pub experience without a little something

from the Old Country? Bass, Caffrey's, Harp and Guinness are old standbys, and there are always a few seasonal selections too.

If life's gotcha down, you can hang out with the grizzled yellow-haired guys sipping on Tullamore Dew, takin' it easy for all us sinners. We also hear they make a damn fine Dirty Girl Scout.

## The Verdict:

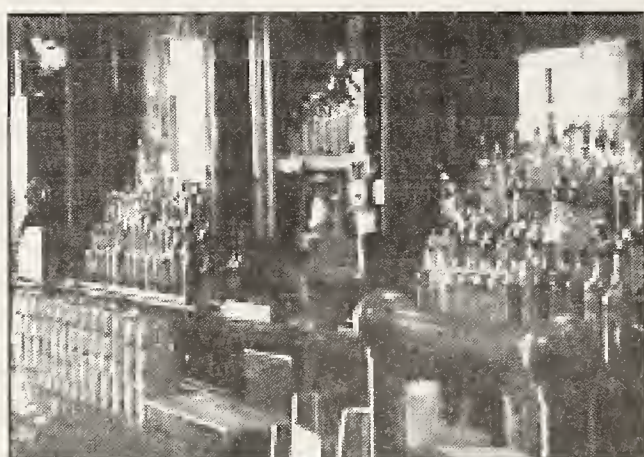
In short, Mick O'Shea's has everything a reputable pub must offer -- friendly conversation, tasty beer, hospitable service, good food and great entertainment.

When the grind of college life has you tied up in knots, step out and unwind with a quick course of Irish 101.

You don't have to be best buds with a leprechaun to love Mick O'Shea's, but the gold sure might help you pay that pesky tab. (Who ordered four Jamesons on the rocks?)

## DISCLAIMER

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From ales to stouts, Mick O'Shea's is your traditional Irish pub with a warm atmosphere.

photo by Patrick Valasek

whet your whistle, you've entered the prime seating area. No thumping trance music will drown out your conversation, so order a pint and enjoy some relaxed, cheerful chit-chat.

Or just sit back and enjoy the show as O'Shea's customary assembly of thirtysomethings try to pick up college girls at the bar. But for more adventurous types, we suggest a more inclusive experience.

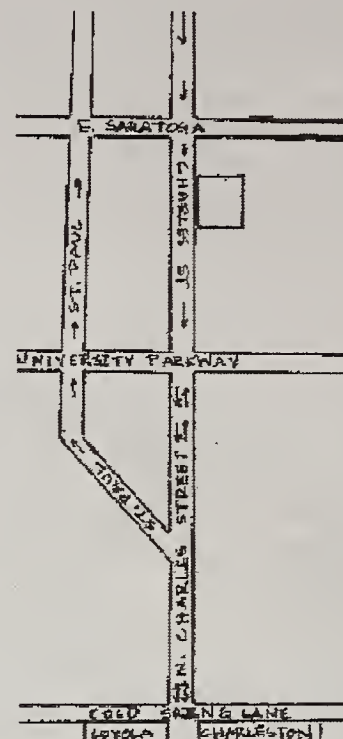
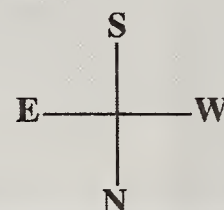
Steer your way through the sea of older singles (reassuring yourself, "I'll never end up like this"), and soon you'll find the stage area where whoops and hollers ring out from the crowd that ranges in age from grandchildren to grandparents.

The best Irish music Baltimore

## Mick O'Shea's Irish Pub

328 North Charles Street

Take St. Paul St. south towards downtown Baltimore. Follow to Saratoga St., and make a right. Make another quick right onto Charles St. and you'll almost immediately see Mick O'Shea's, with its trademark shamrock sign, on your left. Pay the large man at the door a small cover fee. Sit, sip, jig. Repeat.



## Starsailor sails off course UK band's debut disappoints

by Kevin Hattrup  
Staff Writer

The UK's latest export, Starsailor, the "still wet behind the ears new comers," fits the mold offered by their peers, but fails to break it on their major label debut, *Love is Here*.

On paper, the lineup covers all the musical bases. Take a sensitive but gutsy voice, preferably from a singer with wispy rebellious locks, throw in equal parts of acoustic guitar, driving bass, piano and "deep" lyrical be-moaning. Is Starsailor adequately representative of the sensitive youth market? Not exactly.

The shortcomings of Starsailor seems to be their youthful conviction in borrowing from those that came before, represented in echoes of Van Morrison, Jeff Buckley, and Coldplay. Unfortunately, in attempting to carve out a niche, Starsailor forgot to add anything compelling to their mix.

Produced by Steve Osburne, the album offers nothing in the way of solos, leads, hooks or intros. Singer James Walsh sings beautifully and forcefully, but the songs arrangements rest upon their vocal and lyrical density.

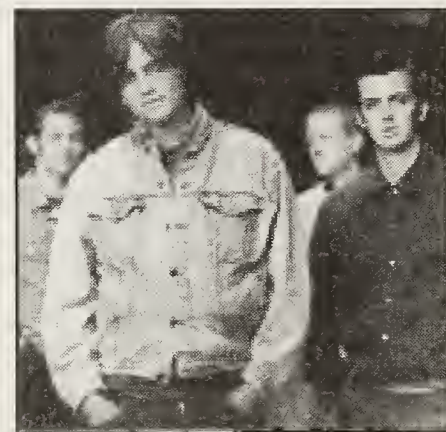
Placing such emphasis upon language, the audience can not help but scrutinize the lyrics, and Starsailor's epic songs hit a brick wall on this account as lyrics are not the forte of Starsailor.

The language of Walsh's songs varies extensively. From the melodramatic "Let's watch the clock 'til the morning sun does rise" and

"She just wept like I could not ignore," to the nonsensical, "We met at the cinema/ you fell from my view" and "I've got something in my throat/ I need to be alone while I suffer" to the plain stupid, "Don't you know you've got your daddy's eyes/ Daddy was an alcoholic."

Maybe if production had overdubbed some electric guitar parts, thrown in some tempo changes or let the piano jam out a few bars, the dreadful lyrics could be overlooked.

The overall lack of creativity and interest put into production of *Love is Here* undermines the acceptability of their fledgling songwriting. The song intros fail to impress, usually heralded by



Rising band Starsailor.

photo courtesy [www.starsailor.net](http://www.starsailor.net)

just another 16 bars of acoustic guitar.

Both singles, "Good Souls" and "Fever" stand out among the otherwise murky tracks. "Good Souls," escapes the lackluster nature of the album and gives a fantastic chorus, full of hope and grandeur. The song relies on its simplicity and cheer, swooping down with a thumping bass and Starsailor hits its groove.

"Fever," one of the only interesting tracks, finds solace in a slight funk in the bassline and a sly tickle of the organ. Walsh's voice strikes full force and the possibilities for the young band seem great.

While Starsailor received admirable press for *Love is Here*, the lads offer little but a tepid rehash of last year's hits. Beneath the dull songs lurks certain talent, only future releases will prove if their talent can match their ambition.



The welcoming store front of Mick O'Shea's, a local stop for many upperclassmen, on picturesque Charles Street in downtown Baltimore. It is a short five minute drive from the Inner Harbor.

photo by Patrick Valasek



## FEATURES

## Student Profile: Diana Desierto works to help community

by Katherine Tiernan  
Staff Writer

Diana Desierto isn't your typical college student, because while some college students focus only on themselves, Diana is always looking to help those around her.

"She would do for something like Habitat for Humanity if she had a free day," said Teresa Naus, one of Diana's roommates.

Desierto, a native of Belle Mead, N.J., first got involved in service during high school through her youth group. She worked in soup kitchens, service clubs and even took a service trip to Mexico. "I put my faith into action in high school," Desierto stated.

This continued at Loyola where Desierto is leading the Baltimore

Spring Break Outreach group. "I like to be aware of things in the world," Desierto said about her history of service. "I see God in all things when I do service," she continued.

Her incredibly strong faith seems to be what keeps her going all the time. This faith is most obviously manifested as a retreat intern in Campus Ministry. This year she was a member of the freshman retreat team and is running the junior retreat.

The freshman who meet Desierto flock to her, said Pete Rogers, the director of Spiritual Development at Campus Ministry. "She is a safe harbor where people can be [comfortable with] their feelings."

Desierto believes that retreats

are a time to step back and look at life, and that they are "just another opportunity for service."

That she enjoys taking the time to evaluate where God is in her life is interesting, as George Michael's "Faith," is one of her favorite songs, and she is known for throwing around the phrase "It's all about God," while maintaining a balance between devotion and religious zeal.

A first generation Filipino-American, she says her faith comes from her parents. "They are the greatest people in the world. They are always happy," she said. "They don't take anything for granted and value faith and family."

Desierto, a speech pathology major, is also the publicity director of RAC, as well as a member the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA).

"Autistic kids are fascinating," Desierto commented when speaking about her major. "They have their own little world and are trying to communicate."

She jokes about her involvement in RAC and her "intense commitment to community building" as though it isn't important, but Naus interrupts, saying, "She flipped out last year because she almost missed Good Neighbor Day."

While she jokes about her commitments, she is also known

for remembering important dates about everyone. After all, not many of us would show up at Dean Ilona McGuiness' office, with balloons and a group of students to sing "Happy Birthday" to the dean. Desierto and the dean met in a small group on

Desierto's freshman retreat during McGuiness' first year as dean.

In honor of her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday, which happened about two weeks ago, she is planning on going to Atlantic City to celebrate, saying, "Because I am 21 and want to go and gamble all my money. I think it is a must for all 21-year-olds."

The chance for a road trip is also a driving force behind her desire to go to Atlantic City. Her biggest trip was to the Philippines the summer after she was in eighth grade. The family traveled there because her paternal grandmother, who lived with the family, died. "I was really excited to meet all my cousins," Desierto said.

She describes her trip to the Phil-



Desierto, far left, spends time with other members of the freshman retreat team, (from left) Nell Mone, Betsy Riordan and Sister Mary Jane Kriedler.

*photo courtesy of Nell Mone*

ippines as a "weird experience," as it is a very poor nation. "[The trip made me] very thankful for all the hard work [my parents] put into me," Desierto stated.

It was this trip which helped Desierto, who ran for junior class president last year using the slogan "Double D, the Way to Be," develop her commitment to service.

Desierto is in a place where she realizes how fortunate she is, and wants to give back. She serves others by creating situations that bring people together, and has had a profound effect on the lives of many people.

"I think anyone who is Diana's friend is a very lucky person," said Dean McGuiness.



Speech path majors Terry Ciccolella, Desierto, Mone and Kara Kulesa share a carefree moment.

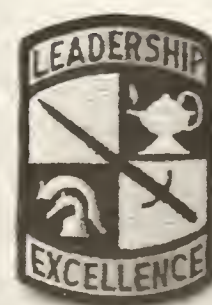
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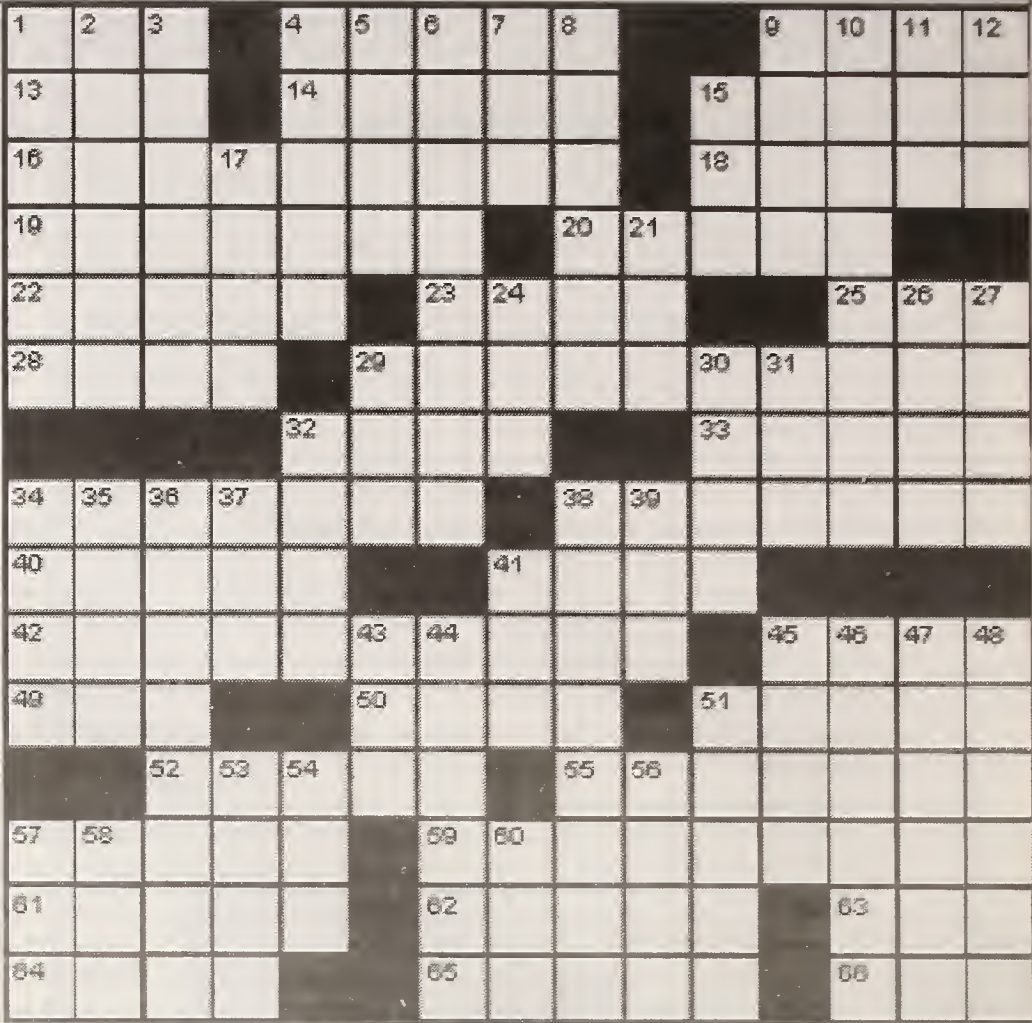
by David Levison Wilk

Across

- 1. Early 60's singer Little \_\_\_\_
- 4. Open a soda bottle
- 9. "My word!"
- 13. Not a thing
- 14. India's first prime minister
- 15. Madison Square Garden, for one
- 16. Place to work on your language skills?
- 18. Pooped
- 19. Advances
- 20. Some desktops have them
- 22. Show of contempt
- 23. Drinking cup
- 25. Middle Ages realm: Abbr.
- 28. Little bits
- 29. Motorist's advantage
- 32. All-knowing
- 33. Not all-knowing
- 34. Hard to get
- 38. Decorated
- 40. Gag and punch, e.g.
- 41. Penultimate fairy tale word
- 42. Southpaw
- 45. Spheric opening?
- 49. \_\_\_\_ rule
- 50. Early late-night host
- 51. Nobelist Sadat
- 52. Not so dotty
- 55. Size, to a farm
- 57. Parisian subway

Down

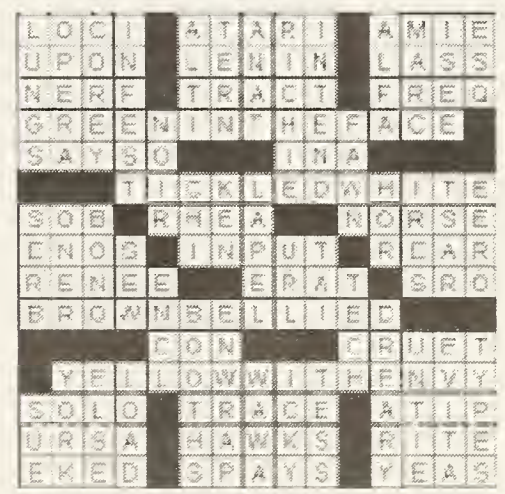
- 1. Join 53-Down, say
- 2. Austria capital
- 3. Noyes or Nobel
- 4. Let out of a jail cell
- 5. Hardly Mr. Cool
- 6. Criticize
- 7. White House spokesman Fleischer
- 8. Keep after school, e.g.
- 9. "\_\_\_\_ go brag"
- 10. See 60-Down
- 11. Saturated hydrocarbon suffix
- 12. Jon Voight, to Angelina Jolie
- 15. From \_\_\_\_ Z
- 17. Little piggies?
- 21. Mpls. clock setting
- 24. 65, say, for retirement
- 26. All-night party
- 27. Checked out
- 29. Columbia, e.g.: Abbr.
- 30. \_\_\_\_ about (approximately)
- 31. A long way (off)
- 32. Action before blowing out the



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- candles
- 34. Jazz singer Fitzgerald
- 35. Commits perjury
- 36. Take off, like a seatbelt
- 37. Collector's goal
- 38. Hitter's stats
- 39. \_\_\_\_ Bingle (Crosby moniker)
- 41. Writer LeShan
- 43. Mimic
- 44. Thin
- 45. Freshly
- 46. Mark and Shania
- 47. Kind of school
- 48. Where Mount Hood is
- 51. Pretentious, as a display
- 53. Place to hear the first words of this puzzle's themed answers spoken in succession
- 54. Denials
- 56. \_\_\_\_ suey
- 57. Prefix with day or night
- 58. When the French fry
- 60. With 10-Down, "Porgy and Bess" lyricist

Answers to Last Week's Puzzle



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Anthony!

Pictures that make you go ... "Huh?"



A weekly column in *The Greyhound*, "Pictures that make you go ... 'Huh?'" brings the strange, the bizarre and the downright stupid to you and gives you, the reader, a chance to come up with a caption for the photograph pictured above. Submit your captions to [greyhound@loyola.edu](mailto:greyhound@loyola.edu). *The Greyhound* staff will then select the top suggestions and the winning captions and the authors will be featured in next week's issue.



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"Hold onto your snowballs!"  
Joe Salvati, '04

"That fall just knocked the ice out of me."  
Matt Brady, '04

"At least it's not as cold as taking a shower after Geoff Sasso. ... Do you know where I could score some good sausage?"  
Rob Farley, '03



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LOYOLA COLLEGE IN MARYLAND

## LC loses heartbreaker to Manhattan *Second half rally not enough to defeat Jaspers*

by Sean Burns  
Staff Writer

Despite a furious late second half rally, the women's basketball squad lost to MAAC (Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference) rival Manhattan, 53-50, last Tuesday night at Reitz Arena.

Loyola trailed 30-22 at the half, and was down 41-28 with just over 12 minutes left on the clock. That's when they kicked into gear, outscoring Manhattan 21-10 over the next 11 minutes, leaving Man-

hattan ahead, 51-49, with 27 seconds to play.

Loyola's Shontrese Smith, who had a game high 16 points, made her first free throw after a Manhattan foul. When she missed the second, she was able to steal the ball from Jaspers' center Eve Walters, and called a time out with 24 seconds left.

Unfortunately, Laura Slater's three-point attempt off the inbound fell short, and Manhattan's star forward Rosalee Mason nailed two free throws to ice the game with four seconds remaining.

Smith attempted to drive the ball coast to coast, but failed to get a shot off as the horn sounded.

Mason, who led the Jaspers with 15 points, was held to only five rebounds, seven below her MAAC-leading average of 12 per game. She was joined in double figures by Walters, who had 13 points and four rebounds.

Smith came off the bench to score 16 points for Loyola with five rebounds. Half of her points came from her 8 of 10 shooting from the free throw line. She also paced the Hounds with three

steals.

"Smith's a real sparkplug for us out there," said Loyola coach Candy Cage. "She's got a lot of confidence from the free throw line, and it showed tonight."

Laura Slater added nine points, including the Loyola's only three-point basket of the night.

Katie Netherton also had nine points and four rebounds. On the boards, Loyola was led by Amy Dessart Mager and Jennifer Mitchell, who each had seven rebounds.

Manhattan dominated the first 30 minutes by playing a suffocating defense, that forced 22 Loyola turnovers. Jaspers' junior guard Siobhan Kilkenny had five steals herself.

The Hounds hit several clutch free throws at the end of the game to pull it back into contention. As a team, Loyola shot 91.7% in the second half from the line. Nineteen out of their 50 points came from the stripe.

"We played hard for eight, ten minutes at the end of the game," said Cage. "If we had played like that for 40 minutes, we could have had it."

The loss leaves Loyola's record at 8-11 overall and 2-8 in the MAAC.

Manhattan improved to 12-8, with a 7-4 record in MAAC play.

Loyola next plays at St. Peter's Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Their next home game is against MAAC rival Marist on Valentine's Day at 7p.m.



Senior Laura Slater waits to see if her shot is good against Manhattan. The Greyhounds lost to the Jaspers, 53-50 last Tuesday.

photo by Mike Memoli

## Mens' hoops losing streak ends, 54-51

by Pete Davis  
Staff Writer

Breaking a 13 game losing streak dating back to Dec. 9, the Greyhounds got the proverbial monkey off their back defeating Canisius, 54-51, in Reitz Arena on Friday.

From the opening tip-off, it was apparent that Loyola was playing this game with more passion and determination than the Golden Eagles.

Loyola got off to a fast start with a three pointer from freshman Lucious Jordan. With Jordan's momentum, the Hounds took a quick 10-5 lead less than five minutes into the game.

Shortly after that, the Hounds went cold shooting the ball. Loyola only managed to score nine points the rest of the first half, which led to a 26-19 half-time deficit.

Effort was not the cause of the halftime deficit, but shots were just not being completed.

Jordan made an off-balance jumper to cut the lead and finish the half on a high note.

The Hounds came out ready to take back the lead after returning from halftime and scored the first

five points of the second half to cut the Canisius lead to two.

The rest of the second half was a constant struggle on the scoreboard, with players from both teams making big shots.

Jordan scored 12 of his game high 18 points in the second half, while senior Damien Jenifer knocked down two three pointers and ran the team very effectively the entire half.

Junior Dellonie Southell put in



Sophomore B.J. Davis gets some air between him and the court as he takes a three point shot against Canisius.

photo by Patrick Valasek

## Lacrosse Magazine announces preseason previews

### Men place ninth in NCAA collegiate poll

by Christine DelliBovi  
Staff Writer

The Loyola men's lacrosse team has been ranked 9th in Division I by *Lacrosse Magazine*, according to their preseason rankings released on Jan. 15.

The Greyhounds are placed behind perennial powerhouses Princeton, Syracuse, Towson, Johns Hopkins, Maryland, Virginia, Georgetown and Duke.

In the spring 2001 season last year, the men's team had a record of 10-4. In the NCAA tournament, the Hounds lost to Princeton Tigers in the quarterfinals, 8-7.

Newly appointed Head Coach Bill Dirrigl said, "It's definitely nice to be in the top ten for the pre-season, and hopefully we'll have a chance to live up to that and even win the championship."

Since men's lacrosse is one of the most popular spectator sports at Loyola, the team strives to be successful not only for themselves, but for their fans.

Last year when they made it to the NCAA quarterfinals, the men's team showed how far they could go, and they have equal potential for the 2002 season.

Being ranked highly among the pool of 30 teams in NCAA Division I lacrosse is flattering, but the men's team has high expectations for itself and ambitious goals.

"Our goal for this season is obviously to win the NCAA Division I championship," Dirrigl said. "We are a family, and our goals, hopes and dreams are all to win the national championship."

The season begins on Feb. 23rd



Senior Jim Fink is one of the many who helped the Hounds earn a 10-4 record last year and a ninth place ranking in the preseason poll.

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at the University of Delaware.

For a complete schedule of the men's lacrosse season, visit [www.loyola.edu/athletics/mlax\\_sked.htm](http://www.loyola.edu/athletics/mlax_sked.htm)

### Women rank fifth in poll

by Christine DelliBovi  
Staff Writer

Loyola's women's lacrosse team had a strong season last year, and is preparing for another great season.

According to *Lacrosse Magazine*, the preseason rankings for National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I women's lacrosse place Loyola in the top ten women teams.

The Greyhounds are ranked fifth behind (in order) the University of Maryland, Duke, Princeton and Georgetown.

*Lacrosse Magazine* also placed senior attacker Stacy Morlang on the All-America team. Morlang surpassed the 100 career-goal mark mid-season last year against North Carolina.

Last year, the women's overall record was 15-5, and they had a undefeated conference record, winning all six games.

In the 2001 NCAA Tournament, Loyola defeated William and Mary

in the first round and Duke in the quarter finals. The Greyhounds then lost to Georgetown in the semifinals, 10-9.

The women's team is enthusiastic about the upcoming season and the preseason ranking.

"We are excited and pleased. It's definitely a compliment, and we deserve it, so it's very nice to get recognized for once," said junior Suzanne Eyler.

Such high ranking has not caused a loss of perspective for the women's team, however. Despite appreciation of the fifth place ranking, the women have not lost sight of their goals for the upcoming season.

"While it's great to be seen as one of the top five teams," said senior Tricia Dabrowski, "more than rankings, we have to focus on our selves as a team, and what we have to do with our own play on the field."

Confidence seems to be prevalent on the team, among both the

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## SPORTS

## Athlete of the Week: men's senior swimmer Jamie Barone

by Elizabeth Cleary  
Staff Writer

Senior swimmer Jamie Barone is viewed by many in the Loyola swimming community as a talented swimmer and a strong team leader. Easily winning matches because of hard work and dedication, Barone has set numerous school records during his career at Loyola.

Most recently, he contributed greatly setting a record time in the 400-yard medley relay with teammates Mike Hoffman, Tyler Furek and Brian Kusterer.

"I set the school record in relay with him the other week," says sophomore Mike Hoffman. "It was mainly him going fast to separate us from the other swimmers and we just kept up."

Barone's remarkable speed in the pool is something that has not gone unnoticed. Barone finishes so far ahead of competitors in races that usually no one finishes within ten seconds of Barone.

Yet this skill has not come without hours of dedication each week. The swim team practices nearly every day per week, sometimes twice a day. Some of these days, Barone and the other swimmers can spend five and a half hours at the pool.

While most people would be intimidated by this time commitment, Barone says that the long practices are the source of his success in meets.

"I work hard in practices so that I'm confident going into the meet," he said. "I do the work before so I'm confident that I'll beat the person I'm against. I guess you could describe my approach as confident but not cocky."

With the type of swimmer Barone is, one

would think he's been swimming competitively since a young age and through high school. However, this is not the case. After dropping it in seventh grade, Barone turned his attention to hockey. It wasn't until he quit hockey senior year that he went back to swimming.

As a child, Barone's memories of swimming are similar to those of many—playing around in the backyard pool.

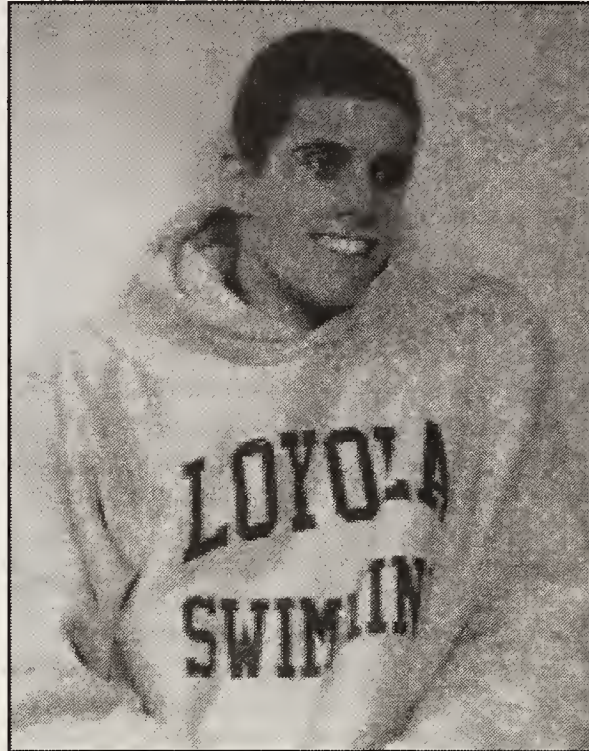
"I also would do laps for fun," Barone laughs. "I would try to do more than I did the previous day."

Even his senior year, despite not having swum in years, the team won the State Championship for the first time ever. That year, Barone qualified for the YMCA National Tournament despite missing two months of the season because of a heart infection. It's clear that Barone is a dedicated swimmer and a tough competitor.

"I like the one-on-one competition against somebody and the competition against myself," Barone says of swimming competitively.

Barone's dedication and thirst for competition is what drives him in swimming. His parents never pushed him into anything.

"They've been behind me, but have never pushed me," Barone said. "They've let me do it on my own. They've tried to guide me, but not holding my hand."



Jamie Barone, senior, is expected to qualify for the NCAA Tournament in the 200 yd. breaststroke.

photo by Monica Leal

Here at Loyola, Barone has carved himself a part of swimming history. He has swum record times in many events, including the 200-yard individual medley, the 200-yard backstroke, and the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke.

In these events, he holds the number one spot on Loyola's all-time list. He holds the second spot in the 400-yard individual medley, and the 100-yard backstroke.

Although he obviously excels in a number of events, Barone's favorite event is the 200-yard breaststroke. He also says it is his strongest. It is here that his hard work and dedication in practice pays off, as opponents usually finish far behind him.

Teammates can also see his domination in the pool.

"For any event he's in, there's a 99% guarantee that he'll win," said Hoffman. "Even when he's against the better swimmers in

the conference."

Other swimmers can also see his strong work ethic and approach to swimming.

"He's a motivator in the pool because everybody sees him working hard and it really pushes you," said sophomore Chris Berger.

As one of the men's team captains this year, Barone takes the role of leader seriously.

"I see myself as a person who other swimmers can emulate," says Barone, "especially my dedication and focus. I hope that they can feed off of what I do in the pool and that I create some energy to swim fast."

Junior Vincent Fonseca says, "Jamie sets an example, not by mouth so much, but by doing things." Hoffman agrees with this and elaborates, "He does motivate, but by carrying himself well, and he doesn't even really have to say much."

As the swim team's season comes to a close and the end of Barone's swimming career creeps closer, there is still one final hurdle for him to strive for -- the NCAA Tournament. In order to qualify for the tournament, Barone must first do well in the ECAC Championships at the end of the month. Barone has many goals going into the championship.

"I want to help the team by earning points, and swimming fast, and I hope that other people can feed off my energy," Barone said. "I also want to qualify for the NCAA, win three events and set three conference records."

If Barone qualifies for the NCAA Tournament, it would be the first time Loyola has had a swimmer make it that far. Barone has already left his mark on the Loyola record books with a successful collegiate swimming career, but the ECAC Championships will be his chance to leave a mark on the conference record books. Regardless of what the outcome is, it is sure that Barone's swan song will be impressive.

"Some succeed because they are destined to, but most succeed because they are determined to."

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## Jordan soars above Eagles

### Freshman reaches 18 point game high

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a turnaround jump hook in the waning minutes of the game to extend the Hounds lead to three.

Loyola had a tremendous effort off their bench the entire night led by sophomore Donovan Thomas and Southell.

Thomas recorded a double-double with 12 points and 10 boards.

Loyola clung to a one point lead with seconds remaining when sophomore B.J. Davis was fouled and sent to the line.

Davis knocked down one of two free throws to give Loyola a two-point lead, but the door was left open for Canisus to tie or take the lead.

On their next possession, Canisus did not convert, and freshman Bernard Allen grabbed a crucial defensive board for the Hounds. He was immediately fouled and sent to the line to shoot two free throws.

Allen was a little bit long on the first one, so Loyola still only had a two-point lead when the Canisus coach called a timeout to try to ice him.

Allen responded by calmly sinking his second shot to put Loyola up by three with only 11 seconds remaining.

Canisus was able to get off one last-sec-

ond shot, but it was taken too hastily to be completed, and secured Loyola's hard-fought 54-51 win.

This win over a tough Canisus team was Loyola's first home win of the year and also snapped the 12-game overall losing streak.

Attendance was the highest it had been since the Battle of Baltimore, recording 856 for the night.

Prior to this win, the Greyhounds traveled to New York to compete against Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) rival Marist on Jan. 3, and walked away with a 67-53 loss to the Red Foxes.

The Hounds had a typical game, making a quick start but trailing soon after that.

The Greyhounds managed to just edge out Marist, 29-24 before taking

a break at the half, and didn't falter until the score was 33-26, when the Foxes took over.

Loyola shot 48 percent in the first half while only 24 percent after struggling at the foul line.

Jordan had the team-high of 10 points, while Davis had a strong showing keeping the team close with key shots.

The Hounds played on Feb. 3 against Marist in Reitz Arena. Catch the recap in next week's issue of *The Greyhound*. Loyola is away at Sienna on Thursday, Feb. 7.

### Next game



vs. Sienna  
Reitz Arena  
Feb. 7



SPORTS

Morlang named to All-American lacrosse team

Senior Susan Tyrrell is one of the Greyhounds ready to battle for the ball on Curley Field this season. The Hounds are ranked fifth pre-season and ready to out do last year's record which stood at 15-5 overall. photo courtesy of The Greyhound archive



continued from front page coaches and players.

Senior Stacy Morlang said "We always know that we're capable of more, and we say to ourselves, 'we can do better than that. Let's do better.' We're usually the underdogs, and our past success just shows how positive and optimistic we are."

Assistant Coach Kerri Johnson believes that past seasons' success shows how much the team is capable of.

"We have earned some respect since we've been in the top four the last two years. This year's team should meet expectations. We're looking forward to getting to the

final four for the third straight year. We just have to stay focused."

Assistant Coach Krystin Porcella, who assisted at Virginia Tech after graduating from Loyola in 1998, has confidence in the team's talent and focus.

She said, "There are some strong leaders on our team, and each year there's a different personality of the team. This year, the team is very serious and focused on their goal, which is to make it to the final four, and hopefully even further."

The women's first game of the season will be on Feb. 24, when the Greyhounds host the Loyola Tournament on Curley Field.

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In honor of The Greyhound's 75th year, a series of articles from previous years will be reprinted in each issue. The following article first appeared in the Nov. 23, 1993 issue.

Men's team remains red hot

by Paul McNeeley  
Staff Writer

The Loyola Greyhound men's basketball team enjoyed a three-week break at the end of 1993 but have made up for lost time with 11 games already in 1994.

After opening up the season with a 3-2 record before the break, the Hounds won seven of 11 games in January to boost their current record to 10-6.

A record that can no longer be looked at as "five times the win total of last season" because the present Greyhounds of the Skip Prosser Era differ from recent Loyola teams like night and day.

A major reason for Loyola's turnaround is the return of senior forward Michael Reese, who missed last season due to disciplinary problems. The 6'8 forward wasted no time in assuming a scoring leadership wasted no time first game back, which was a 77-65 loss at Delaware on Jan. 3.

Next the Hounds returned to Reitz Arena for a five-game conference opener against the Gaels of Iona. Again, Reese was the story for Loyola, leading all scorers with 28 points and 14 rebounds, as the Hounds won 89-84. "Mr. Consistency" B.J. Pendleton contributed 20 points in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference win.

In the following match-up, the

Hounds rode a second-half wave, outscoring Maine 41-22, all the way in to an 83-71 victory. Reese continued to better his numbers as he exploded for 31 points.

Freshman Milt Williams, taking over as point guard for a few games when Tracy Bergan had to sit out because of academic suspension, responded to his new assignment brilliantly once again with 10 assists.

In the third game of the homestand, the Hounds hosted the Midshipmen of the Naval Academy. Reese refused to be denied of the scoring leadership as he tallied 23 points and 11 boards.

In addition, the Hounds got strong support from their reserves as they coasted to a 78-68 victory. 6'11" Ricky Wohl came off of the bench to score nine points, as did Mark Sparzak and Teron Owens.

The Hounds then extended their winning streak to four games as they polished off UMBC for a 69-57 victory. Freshman Darius Johnson's hot shooting produced a team-high 15 points, a total matched by Bergan in his return to the lineup.

In the final game of the homestand, the Hounds were edged by the Siena Saints, 77-72, in a game that went down to the wire.

Reese's 31 points and B.J.'s 21 were not enough to hold back the

MAAC-leading Saints. In the Loyola loss, Bergan broke the school record for career assists of 424. Bergan's present total is 453.

Loyola then went on a four-game road trip, all against MAAC opponents. First, Bergan's 30 points sealed a 70-63 win over St. Peter's. Then, at Canisius, Bergan scored 23 points, including his 1000<sup>th</sup> career point, and Reese knocked down 21 points and grabbed 13 rebounds but the Hounds lost by 15, 87-72.

Next, the Hounds won by 15, 76-61, at Niagara. This time it was Reese just ahead of Bergan in the scoring department as the two seniors scored 20 and 18 points, respectively.

To continue along the roller coaster of big wins and big losses, Loyola dropped it's next game by 18 points, 85-67, to the Stags of Fairfield. Pendleton, 16 points and Johnson, 14 points, were the lone bright spots for the Hounds.

That brings us to the present and the Hounds most recent game—a 94-81 victory over William and Mary at Reitz Arena on Jan. 30.

Bergan's hot shooting early (three-pointers) and Reese's strong play throughout (29 points) were key factors in Loyola's seventh win in it's last 10 games.

The Hounds now focus their attention on a Wednesday matchup versus St. Peter's at home, and then a Saturday game with Niagara, also at Reitz Arena.

Men's club soccer places second at Maryland Invitational

by Jim Nilsen  
Special to The Greyhound

The men's club soccer team continued its winning ways with another remarkable and exciting fall season, ending the season with a 5-3-1 record.

The team, which returned 12 seniors from last year, added more depth to its already talented squad.

This semester's team had an adequate blend of upper and underclassmen, which was demonstrated with positive interaction on and off the field.

This year's team was led by the senior defense of Brian Jenkins, Jim Nilsen, Bill Mueller, Tom Rush and goalie Tom Durkin. This defense, which is in its second season together, has proven itself as one of the toughest defenses around.

The men's club soccer team ended the semester with impressive wins against Princeton, Salisbury and Delaware during the regular season.

The win against Delaware was of significance to the program since it was played in from of a large crowd in Delaware's stadium dur-



The men's club soccer team is pictured coming together yet again, but this time for a group picture. The team finished their fall season with a 5-3-1 record, and are preparing for the Spring Invitational in April.

photo courtesy of Jim Nilsen

ing alumni weekend. Yet the team still managed to hold their own amongst the Blue Hen crowd.

The Hounds did, however, lose their first game of the season against Salisbury State. Despite this 1-3 loss, the team did not lose their spirit.

As the season continued, the players grew stronger in talent and began to play more for the team.

After a win against Princeton and a loss to local rival Johns Hopkins, the team took part in the annual Maryland Invitational Soccer Tournament, held at College Park in

November

Loyola's club soccer team, who returned to the field as the defending tournament champions, proved worthy of its title as they won their division against tough competition, highlighted by one of the most intensely fought games in the club's history: a 1-0 win in the final minutes against a highly regarded Navy squad.

Then, in the tournament semifinal, Loyola came back from a two-goal deficit in the final five minutes to beat Maryland, ultimately in a shootout.

After the greatest comeback in the club team's history, Loyola had to step on the field minutes later to play in the final against Penn State.

The defending national collegiate club champions proved to be just a bit too much to overcome, despite an all-around superb effort from an exhausted Loyola squad.

The team unfortunately ended up losing, 1-0, after an errant own-goal.

The Greyhounds, who finished in second place, capped off another outstanding and exciting soccer season.

The team also qualified for the National Invitational Soccer Championships that was held in Alabama this past November, but was unable to attend due to scheduling and travel conflicts.

The club soccer team will return to competition April 12-14 when they travel to Clemson University in South Carolina to take part in the annual spring invitational.

Stats Box		
Fall Semester		
L	Salisbury State	1-3
W	Princeton	3-1
W	Delaware	1-0
L	Hopkins	1-3
Maryland Tournament		
W	Salisbury State	4-1
T	Delaware	1-1
W	Navy	1-0
W	Maryland	
	Semi-finals	3-3
	Shootout	5-4
L	Penn State	
	Finals	1-0

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**Friday  
February 8**

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**Saturday  
February 9**

**SNL Hosted  
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